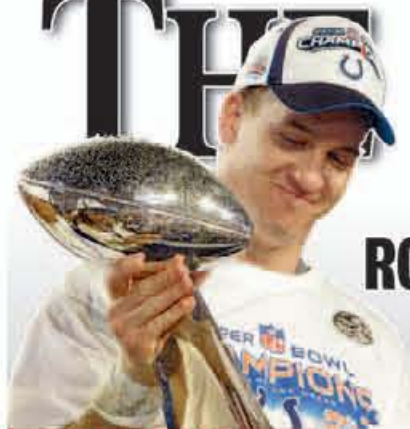


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Peyton Manning heading to Denver **SPORTS, B1**

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Chocolate and peanut butter star in Kitchen Adventures **TASTE, A10**



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ALCOHOL AVAILABILITY

Stores report brisk sales

By BEN SHEROAN

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Just as beer sales surpassed expectations in the first weeks, the first liquor outlets in Hardin County are reporting brisk business.

The day after the Kentucky Department of Alcoholic Beverage

Control announced license recipients Feb. 21, Best Buy Liquor Outlet arrived at Radcliff City Hall to pay for its \$1,500 local license.

Harry Patel, who operated a convenience store on Rogersville Road near its intersection with South Wilson Road, quickly cleared shelves to make room for liquor and wine

supplies at Best Buy Liquor Outlet.

The result has been an active trade as the first of nine Radcliff vendors to open.

Mike Patel, a store clerk and the owner's nephew, said business has been brisk and customers have been pleased.

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Mike Patel adjusts bottles on the shelves at Best Buy Liquor Outlet in Radcliff. It was the first package store to open after licenses were approved locally in February.

Kids Café finds new home, name

After-school program relaunching in May as Mission Hope For Kids

By MARTY FINLEY

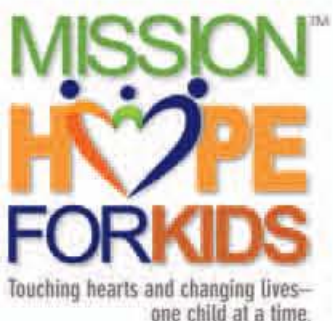
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Nelle Thomas' hope to find a new home for Kids Café by spring has materialized.

The agency's name has changed to Mission Hope for Kids, but the mission to improve the lives of Hardin County's youth remains, said Thomas, who serves as executive director.

The newly minted nonprofit agency is moving into Vaughn Reno Starks Community Center at 105 Bishop Lane in Elizabethtown, where it will have full access to the facility during weekdays, Thomas said. Mission

Turn to MISSION, A11



Maintenance machines bought for sports park

\$520K spent with more expected

By MARTY FINLEY

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Elizabethtown City Council on Monday approved roughly \$520,000 worth of equipment purchases for Elizabethtown Sports Park with more equipment requests expected.

The purchases are part of a sizable list of maintenance items needed for upkeep of the park and its fields once the park opens this summer.

Seth Breitner, park director, said Monday's purchases are big-ticket, specialty mowing and field

Turn to MACHINES, A14



Special delivery

FROM: Hardin County

TO: West Liberty

A box of assorted food items donated to those affected by the storms earlier this month in West Liberty. New Horizon Baptist Fellowship is collecting items to ship to the area.

Photo illustration by JILL PICKETT and TRAVIS REYNOLDS/The News-Enterprise

Area church collects aid for storm-ravaged city

By AMBER COULTER

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A Glendale church is collecting items and money to help West Liberty residents affected by tornadoes that tore through eastern Kentucky.

West Liberty was one of the towns devastated March 2 by the storms.

New Horizon Baptist Fellowship members and other churches throughout the area are trying to help victims by providing supplies to meet emergency needs. They are collecting nonperishable food, diapers, baby food, baby bottles, water, Gatorade, personal hygiene items for men and women, batteries, flashlights and cash dona-

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Items donated for tornado victims in West Liberty are collected and sorted at New Horizon Baptist Fellowship in Glendale.

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SINCE YOU ASKED

Results of Monday's *The News-Enterprise* online poll, as of 7 p.m.:

QUESTION: Should Kentucky change regulations to allow hunters to shoot bears during chasing?
Yes: 57 percent **No:** 43 percent

TODAY'S QUESTION: Will Mitt Romney win the GOP presidential nomination?

Find the poll question under the "opinion" menu at www.thenewsenterprise.com

WEDNESDAY



Xiaoyun Willoughby is Wednesday's Woman

LOOKING BACK

ON THIS DATE IN 1413, England's King Henry IV died; he was succeeded by Henry V.

IN 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte returned to Paris after escaping his exile on Elba, beginning his "Hundred Days" rule.

IN 1852, Harriet Beecher Stowe's influential novel about slavery, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," was first published in book form.

IN HARDIN COUNTY, 30 YEARS AGO, the Capt. Jacob VanMeter Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution chose five youths to receive Good Citizen Awards. They were Lori Ann Cook of Elizabethtown High School, Keith Smith of East Hardin High School, Pamela Durham of LaRue County High School, Todd Berry of North Hardin High School and Patty Gore of West Hardin High School.

20 YEARS AGO, East Hardin Middle School eighth-grade student Kasey Buckles was elected Kentucky Junior Beta Club president at the group's annual convention.

From News-Enterprise wire services and staff reports

TODAY'S FORECAST



Partly cloudy.
High: 83

TONIGHT: Partly cloudy. Low: 61

WED



82/59

Partly cloudy.

THUR



80/58

Partly cloudy.

FRI



74/56

Storms likely.

AROUND KENTUCKY

	High	Low	Outlook
Fort Campbell	85	61	Ptclty
Paducah	84	61	Ptclty
Bowling Green	87	60	Ptclty
Lexington	83	60	Ptclty
Louisville	86	62	Ptclty
Pikeville	87	53	Ptclty
Covington	82	61	Ptclty

Source: National Weather Service

ALMANAC

	NEW MOON	FIRST QUARTER	FULL MOON	LAST QUARTER
	March 22	March 30	April 6	April 13

Today's sunrise 7:46 a.m.
Today's sunset 7:56 p.m.

HIGHS/LOWS

High/low yesterday 82/61
Fort Knox NWS reporting station as of 5 p.m.

Record high/year* 85/1894
Record low/year* 12/1885

Average high/low* 58/38
*Louisville temperature readings

PRECIPITATION

Past 24 hours* (End 5 p.m.) 0.00
Last 30 days** 4.68

Deviation from norm +0.80
Jan. 1-present** 9.07

Deviation from norm +0.45
Sources: *Fort Knox, **NWS, Bardstown station

ALLERGY REPORT

National Allergy Bureau pollen and mold report for the area.

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Mold	Low

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Kentucky State Police troopers look at one of the vehicles involved in a wreck Sunday evening on Interstate 65, south of the Joe Prather Highway exit in northern Hardin County.

Three vehicles involved in interstate head-on collision

Two women and a child injured

By SARAH BENNETT
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A head-on collision Sunday night near the 101-mile marker of Interstate 65 left two women and a 9-year-old child injured.

Shelly Thrasher, 30, of Louisville, was driving north on I-65 in a 2006 Toyota Corolla, according to Kentucky State Police. For unknown reasons, the Corolla drifted right and struck the guardrail, causing her to veer left, crossing the northbound lanes and median and into the path of southbound traffic.

In the southbound lanes, Thrasher's vehicle collided head-on with a 2002 Dodge Caravan driven by Katrina Jones, 33, of Elizabethtown, police said. A 9-year-old passenger was in Jones' vehicle.

After colliding with the Corolla, Jones' van veered right and into the path of a 2011 International



A van involved in a wreck Sunday evening on Interstate 65 sits waiting to be towed as emergency responders work the crash scene about six miles north of Elizabethtown.

semi operated by James Fisher, 45, of Lowell, Mich., police said. The truck struck the Caravan in the passenger side.

Thrasher, who was not wearing a seatbelt, sustained critical injuries and was taken to University Hospital, where she was listed in serious condition Monday afternoon.

Police say Jones and the child

passenger were restrained and sustained minor injuries. Jones was transported to University Hospital while the 9-year-old was taken to Kosair Children's Hospital.

The truck driver was not injured in the wreck.

Trooper Kevin Warrell is investigating.

Sarah Bennett can be reached at (270) 505-1750.

U.S. appeals court backs graphic cigarette labels

By BRETT BARROUQUERE
The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — A federal law requiring cigarette packages to carry graphic warnings about the dangers of smoking and restricts how tobacco products may be marketed and advertised passes constitutional muster, a federal appeals court ruled Monday.

The case is one of two by tobacco companies against the federal rules that would make them slap large images on cigarette packs depicting the health ravages of smoking. The other case has so far resulted in a federal judge in Washington blocking the new requirement, arguing last month it violated free speech. That decision is being appealed by the government.

In this case, originally filed in Kentucky, a three-judge panel from the U.S. 6th Circuit in Cincinnati ruled the government has an interest in preventing consumers from being deceived by the marketing practices of tobacco companies and the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco

Control Act's requirements are aimed at that goal.

Judge Jane Branstetter Stranch emphasized past practices by tobacco companies to deceive consumers about the hazards of tobacco products and said the new requirements provide "truthful information" to consumers as they make decisions about using tobacco.

"It bears emphasizing that the risks here include the undisputed fact that Plaintiffs' products literally kill users and, often, members of the families of users," Stranch wrote. "Tobacco products will kill up to one-half of the people who use them as they are intended to be used."

The law, which took effect in June 2009, lets the FDA limit, but not ban, nicotine. It also lets the agency ban candy flavorings and marketing claims such as "low tar" and "light," require warning labels — including up-close photos of a smoker's rotting teeth, a man exhaling smoke from a tracheotomy hole in his neck and the damaged heart muscle of a smoker — be emblazoned over cartoon images.

DAILY BRIEFING

COUNTRY CLUB PRECINCT

Absentee voting opens for club liquor decision

The Hardin County Clerk's office will provide absentee voting for members of the Country Club precinct who will be unavailable for the April 17 wet-dry election.

The Elizabethtown Country Club on Hodgenville Road is asking for the ability to offer alcohol sales. State law permits golf courses to petition for an election to allow limited alcohol sales. Only voters living in the precinct can vote on the measure.

Eligible residents who will be out of the county on April 17 are allowed to vote by absentee ballot. The voting machine is available in the clerk's office in the R.R. Thomas Government Building on Public Square from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, County Clerk Kenny Tabb said.

HARDIN COUNTY

History Channel's sasquatch episode air date changed

A local sasquatch researcher will appear on "Only in America with Larry the Cable Guy" on History

on History at 9 p.m. Wednesday.

Parker Duvall of Rineyville and fellow researchers were filmed

taking Daniel Lawrence "Larry the Cable Guy" Whitney on a hunt for sasquatch evidence near Fort Knox.

The episode originally was scheduled to air March 28, but the air date was advanced by a week.

From News-Enterprise reports

CORRECTIONS

The News-Enterprise is committed to accuracy in its news reports. Confirmed factual errors will be corrected in this space daily. To request a correction, readers can call 769-1200, Ext. 8290, or email ne@thenewsenterprise.com.

MISIDENTIFICATION: A Daughters of the American Revolution representative was misidentified in a photograph in Section A on Sunday in which she presented a certificate to Carolyn Wimp of Cecilia for her community service and dedication to history. The presenter was Regent Margaret Martin.

SHOWER IS TODAY. Several local organizations are hosting a community baby shower from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. today at Pritchard Community Center in Elizabethtown. Because of an editing error, the date reference in Monday's story was unclear.

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Report: Modest gains in graduation rate

By KIMBERLY HEFLING
AP Education Writer

HAGERSTOWN, Md. — The last straw for 17-year-old Alton Burke was a note left on his door. The high school dropout picked up the phone and re-enrolled at South Hagerstown High.

Burke missed roughly 200 days of class, but Heather Dixon, the student intervention specialist who left the note, never gave up on him.

Aggressive efforts to prevent students such as Burke from dropping out contributed to a modest 3.5 percentage point increase nationally in the high school graduation rate from 2001 to 2009, according to research presented Monday at the Grad Nation summit in Washington. The event was organized by the children's advocacy group America's Promise Alliance founded by former Secretary of State Colin Powell.

The graduation rate was 75 percent in 2009, meaning 1 in 4 students fails to earn a diploma in four years, researchers found. That's well below the organization's goal of 90 percent by 2020.

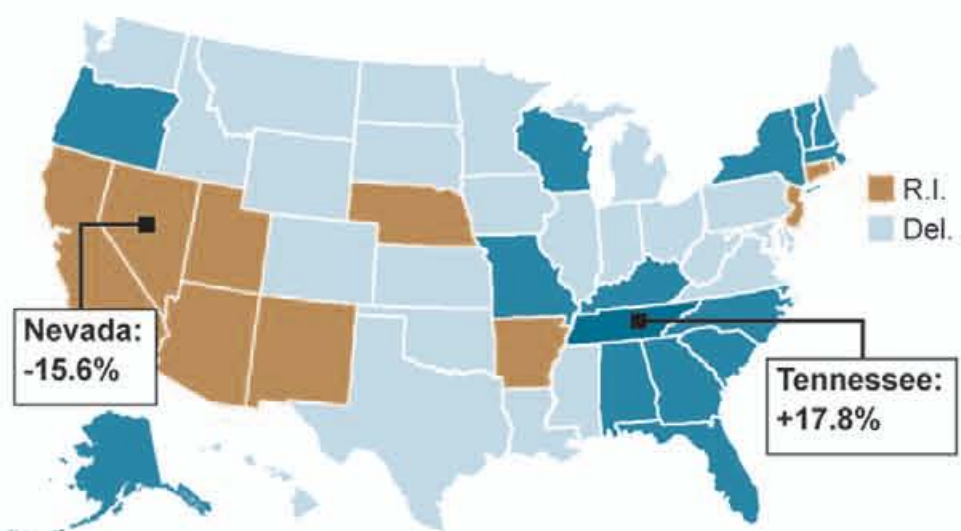
Researchers found the number of "dropout factories," schools that fail to graduate more than 60 percent of students on time, had dropped by more than 450 between 2002 and 2010, but that 1,550 remain. The largest declines in dropout factories were in the South and in suburban communities.

Graduation rates lag in the West

While many states have improved high school graduation rates since 2002, several Western states have seen declines.

Changes in high school graduation rates from 2002 to 2009:

Declined Increased 0-5% Increased more than 5%



SOURCE: America's Promise Alliance

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"Big gains are possible if you work hard at it, and if you don't focus on it, you're going to go backward," said Robert Balfanz, a report author and director of the Everyone Graduates Center at the School of Education at Johns Hopkins University.

The increase in graduation rates primarily was because of growth in 12 states, with New York and Tennessee showing double digit gains since 2002, according to the research. At the other end, 10 states had declines: Arizona, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, New Jersey, Nebraska, New Mexico, Nevada,

Rhode Island and Utah.

So far, only Wisconsin has met the 90 percent benchmark, although Vermont is close.

"This year's report proves struggling schools are not destined to fail," said Education Secretary Arne Duncan. "The reality is that even one dropout factory is too many."

The authors said there are proven strategies to tackle the problem, such as teaching all students to read at grade level, raising the compulsory school attendance age to 18 and developing "early warning" systems to help identify students that might be at

risk of later dropping out.

In his State of the Union address, President Barack Obama encouraged states to pass laws to require students to stay in school until they graduate or they turn 18.

It's estimated high school graduates will earn \$130,000 more over their lifetimes than dropouts, and high school graduates will generate more than \$200,000 in higher tax revenues and savings in government expenditures over their lifetime, the report said. And, the report said that if the 90 percent goal already had been met, 580,000 more students

KENTUCKY FINDINGS

A look at some findings for Kentucky from the 2012 Building a Grad Nation report released Monday. Kentucky was among a dozen states reported to have made the most progress from 2002 to 2009. The report was sponsored by America's Promise Alliance, a children's advocacy organization founded by former Secretary of State Colin Powell.

Graduation rate: 77.6 percent in 2009, up from 69.8 percent in 2002.

Benefits to Kentucky of a national 90 Percent Graduation Rate: \$59 million in increased annual earnings; \$8.7 million in increased annual state tax revenues. Goal: By 2020.

Poverty: 11th in childhood poverty at 25 percent.

College education: 41st in college completion at 24.7 percent.

AP exams: Number of students taking AP exams during high school increased from 11.4 percent to 27.6 percent from 2001-2011. Almost half, 49.6 percent, scored at least a "3" or higher.

— The Associated Press

would have graduated last year, generating \$1.8 billion in additional revenue because of increased economic activity.

How to track high school graduation rates has been a contentious issue for years, with states using different methods to come up with a number. Balfanz cited this as a reason why the report does not include the names of the dropout factories. He said they will be included in a future report once all states are consistently reporting data.

States are now required

to use the same method to compute graduation rates based on a Bush administration rule issued in 2008.

Nevada stood out for its low graduation rate of 56 percent, a decline of more than 15 percentage points from 2002 to 2009, the largest of any state, the report said. During Nevada's boom years, students dropped out to earn hefty paychecks parking cars, pouring concrete or serving drinks along the Las Vegas Strip.

Panel says problem schools hurt nation's security

By KIMBERLY HEFLING
AP Education Writer

WASHINGTON — The nation's security and economic prosperity is at risk if America's schools don't improve, warns a task force led by former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and Joel Klein, the former chancellor of New York City's school system.

The report, obtained by The Associated Press, cautions that far too many schools fail to adequately prepare students.

"The dominant power of the 21st century will depend on human capital," it said. "The failure to produce that capital will undermine American security."

The task force said the State Department and U.S. intelligence agencies face critical shortfalls in the number of foreign language speakers, and that fields such as science, defense and aerospace are at particular risk because a shortage of skilled workers is expected to worsen as baby boomers retire.

According to the panel, 75 percent of young adults don't qualify to serve in the military because they are physically unfit, have criminal records or inadequate levels of education. That's in part because 1 in 4 students fails to graduate from high school in four years, and a high school diploma or the equivalent is needed to join the military. But another 30 percent of high school graduates don't do well enough in math, science and English on an aptitude test to serve in the military, the report said.

The task force, consisting of 30 members with backgrounds in areas such as education and foreign affairs, was organized by the Council on Foreign Relations, a New York-based research and policy

organization focused on international issues. The report was scheduled to be released Tuesday.

Too many Americans are deficient in both global awareness and knowledge that is "essential for understanding America's allies and its adversaries," the report concludes.

"Leaving large swaths of the population unprepared also threatens to divide Americans and undermines the country's cohesion, confidence, and ability to serve as a global

leader," the report said.

Rice and Klein said in interviews that they are encouraged by efforts to improve schools, such as the adoption of "common core" standards set in reading and math in a vast majority of states and the Obama administration's "Race to the Top" competition, in which states compete for federal money in exchange for more meaningful teacher evaluations.

But, they added, the pace to improve America's schools must accelerate.

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TODAY

Hardin Memorial Hospital Health 411 program – Healthy Pregnancy, 7-8 p.m., HMH 5th floor auditorium, featuring Dr. David Hamilton (obstetrics/gynecology), Samantha Port, RN, MSN (OB educator), and Amy Straney, RN (childbirth educator). No charge. Health information and educational resources available. To register visit www.hmh.net or call 737-4464.

Hardin Memorial Hospital board of trustees, 8:30 a.m., Hardin Memorial Hospital. POC: 765-2350.

Radcliff City Council regular meeting, 6:30 p.m.. POC: 351-4714.

Republican Party of Kentucky Chairman Steve Robertson speaks at 6 p.m. at Nolin RECC, 411 Ring Road, E'town, at Hardin County Republican Women's Club meeting. POC: PostalPete70117@aol.com.

Resources and Community Support Committee, 3 p.m., H.B. Fife Courthouse, third floor conference room, E'town. POC: 765-2350.

WEDNESDAY

Central Kentucky Community Action Area Board of Directors meeting, 2:30 p.m., Lincoln Trail Office, 613 College Street Road, E'town. POC: 692-2136.

E'town Heritage Council, 8 a.m., Historic State Theater, 209 W. Dixie Ave., E'town.

Gardeners Toolbox Series of classes, 6 p.m. (How to Grow Lettuce), Hardin County Extension Service, 201 Peterson Drive, E'town. \$5 each class. POC: 765-4121 or www.hardinext.org.

Government commodity foods distributed for southern Hardin County residents from 9 a.m.-noon, at corner of Central Avenue and Poplar Street in E'town at the former Herb Jones body shop parking lot, behind Helping Hand of Hope and across from the Justice Center. For northern Hardin County residents, distribution is from 9 a.m.-noon at St. Christopher Church gym, 1225 S. Wilson Road, Radcliff. Proof of residence and self-certification of income eligibility required to receive box of commodity items. POC: Feeding America of Kentucky's Heartland, 769-6997, or Helping Hand of Hope, 769-3092.

Lincoln Trail Area Development District board of Directors, 1:30 p.m., Lincoln Trail ADD office, E'town. POC: 769-2393.

Solid Waste Committee, 8:30 a.m., H.B. Fife Courthouse, third floor conference room, E'town. POC: 765-2350.

Vine Grove Junior Firefighters, 7 p.m., at Vine Grove Fire Station, 513 Highland Ave., Vine Grove; open to young women and men ages 14-18 who want to learn about firefighting or other emergency service careers. Parents welcome to meet with advisers and observe program. POC: Ken Lucey, program adviser, 272-4488.

THURSDAY

Emergency Services Committee, 4 p.m., Emergency Management Center, 1450 Rineyville Road, E'town. POC: 765-2350.

Relay for Life Survivor dinner, 6:30 p.m., Hodgenville First Baptist Church gym. Survivors are guests at the event and they may bring one other guest for \$5. Deadline to sign up has passed.

FRIDAY

Benefit auction for the Colvin family, 6 p.m., Upton Community Center, sponsored by family and friends. Amie Colvin has had many medical issues for several years and has recently been hospitalized twice; the family has extensive medical bills. To donate items or for information, call 369-6232 or 234-4508.

Clash of the Commonwealth, 6:30 p.m., Elizabethtown High School gym. \$3 admission. EHS and Helmwood Heights faculties will play T.K. Stone and Morningside Elementary faculties at 6:30 p.m. At 7 p.m., kindergarten through 12th grade students will warm up with Western Kentucky University and University of Kentucky dodgeball players. At 7:30 p.m., WKU vs. UK Clash of the Commonwealth dodgeball game. Concessions available. Proceeds benefit EHS Project Graduation. POC: Kelly Cruze, 234-3157.

Fish fry, 5-7 p.m., Knights of Columbus Hall, 1851 Leitchfield Road, E'town. Fish dinners \$8 for adults, \$4 for children. Carry-out available. Proceeds benefit K of C general funds and charitable activities. POC: William Herald, 737-7424.

Fish fry, 5-8 p.m., Stephensburg Masonic Lodge Hall, Ky. 86 near Cecilia. \$6. POC: 369-9673.

Fish fry, 5-8 p.m., Morrison Lodge No. 76, 125 N. Mulberry St., E'town. \$6. Proceeds go to lodge building fund. POC: Bill, 234-4154.

Fish fry, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Faith Apostolic Church, 408 Nicholas St., E'town. \$8; dine in or carry out. POC: 737-8510 or 737-5425.

SATURDAY

Adopt-a-pet event, Animal Refuge Center in Vine Grove, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. POC: 877-6064.

Basic Computer Skills class, 10-11 a.m., Hardin County Public Library, 100 Jim Owen Drive, E'town; class is for those completely new to computers. POC: 769-6337.

Ducks Unlimited's 'Sportman's Night Out,' 6 p.m., VFW Post 10281, 299 Briggs Lane, Vine Grove, sponsored by the Ducks Unlimited Fort Knox Committee. 2012 marks the 75th anniversary for DU's habitat conservation mission which benefits wildlife and people. POC: Robert Gilpin, 900-1254.

Hardin Memorial Hospital Health Expo 2012, 'Spring Into Health,' 9 a.m.-noon, HMH 5th floor auditorium. Free screenings, informational booths on health care issues and medical services including cancer care, diabetes management, digestive disorders, hip/knee replacement, weight management, prenatal care and much more. POC: www.hmh.net or call 737-4464.

'Helping Harlie from the Heart' benefit, 5:30 p.m., Upton Community Building, College St. Activities include chili supper, cake walk, face painting and auction; donations (monetary or things to be auctioned) are needed. This is to benefit the family of Harlie Brook Currie who was born Dec. 22 with a rare and life-threatening disorder – Trisomy 18 (Edwards Syndrome). POC: Ashley Walters, 268-8993, or Kathy Williamson, 307-5224; or make direct deposit to Harlie's account at West Point Bank in Upton.

Lincoln Area Longbeards sixth annual Hunting Heritage Banquet, at LaRue County Middle School, 911 S. Lincoln Blvd. Hodgenville. Tickets are on sale now. POC: Charlie Wootton, 234-6289; or Louie Payne, 766-4241. Only 180 tickets will be sold. There also will be a verbal and silent auction and many raffle items.



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DEATHS

Keith Glenn Bratcher

Keith Glenn Bratcher, 53, of Leitchfield, died Saturday, March 17, 2012, at Jewish Hospital in Louisville.

Survivors include his wife, Patty Grant Bratcher; a son, Ryan Bratcher; and his parents, Glenn and Laverne Bratcher.

The funeral is at 1 p.m. CDT Thursday at First Baptist Church Life Center in Leitchfield with burial in Leitchfield Memory Gardens.

Visitation is from 3 to 9 p.m. CDT today and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. CDT Wednesday at Dermitt Funeral Home in Leitchfield and continues at 10 a.m. CDT Thursday at First Baptist Church Life Center.

Condolences may be expressed at www.dermittfuneralhome.com.

Annette Marie Phillips Guttormsen

Annette Marie Phillips Guttormsen, 75, passed away Saturday, March 17, 2012, of natural causes at her home in Sonora.

Annette was born in Pikeville on Aug. 19, 1936. She graduated from Pikeville High School in 1953 and attended Berea College before joining the U.S. Air Force where she met her future husband, Keith Guttormsen. They married Dec. 31, 1955. Annette and Keith lived in various places as Keith continued to serve in the Air Force until 1974. In that year they returned to Kentucky, helped operate a family farm, and owned and operated an electrical company, A&K Electric in Hodgenville. She was a housewife and active in the LaRue County Homemakers Club. She served as president of Hodgenville United Methodist Women. In 1986, they moved back to Maine where they remained active in several organizations until Keith's death in 2011. Annette then moved back to Kentucky to live with her daughter, Lisa, and Lisa's husband, Neal.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her father, Alva Phillips, and a daughter, Linda.

Survivors include four children, Edward Guttormsen of Honolulu, Lisa Cardin and her husband, Neal, of Sonora, Andria Henderson and her husband, Earl, of Summerville and LynnAnne Rose and her husband, David, of Cincinnati; five grandchildren, James Henderson of Summerville, Marcia Henderson of Lexington, Jacob and Joshua Rose, both of Cincinnati, and Matthew Melton and Lori Melton, parents of her three great-grandchildren, Taylor-Ann, Ryleigh and Jordyn; her mother, Marie Phillips of Kimper; a brother, Harvey Phillips of Kimper; two nieces, one nephew and many dear friends.

Cremation was chosen and a memorial service is at a later date.

Manatee Funeral Home in Sonora is in charge of arrangements.

Sue Cook Gwynn

Sue Cook Gwynn, 81, of Elizabethtown, died Monday, March 19, 2012, at her residence.

She was a native of Wilson County, Tenn., and a member of Memorial United Methodist Church for more than 50 years, where she was a member of Wesley Circle.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Hugh Brown Gwynn; her parents, Joseph Lassiter and Claude Johnson Cook; two brothers, Johnson Cook and Lex Cook; and a sister, JoAnne Adams.

She is survived by a son, Brown (Yvonne) Gwynn of Elizabethtown; one daughter, Suzanne Tohill of Somerset; and two grandchildren, Taylor (Jami) Tohill of Somerset and Kathryn (Christopher) Tohill-Carson of Columbus, Miss.

The funeral is at 11 a.m. Thursday at Memorial United Methodist Church with the Revs. J.D. Shipp and Allen Gibson officiating. Burial follows in Hardin Memorial Park.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Brown Funeral Home in Elizabethtown and continues at 9:30 a.m. Thursday at the church.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of donations to Memorial United Methodist Building Fund or the American Diabetes Foundation.

Condolences may be expressed online at www.brownfuneral.com.

Good Samaritan returns purse containing \$4K

The Associated Press

A northern Kentucky mother is overjoyed after a Good Samaritan returned a purse containing nearly \$4,000 in cash.

Autumn Miller, who lives with her mother and two children in a motel room, said she was planning to use part of the money to move her family into a house and part of it to buy a car.

She was shopping with her family for a car March 3 when they decided to stop at Best Buy in Florence "just to go look."

Miller said she forgot her purse in the shopping cart when they left the store.

They returned to search, but it was gone.

"We were really terrified, it had everything in it," Miller said, including birth certificates, Social Security cards and cash from her income tax return and savings.

Five days later, police called to say a Good Samaritan, Brandon Palmer, had turned it in to the Villa Hills Police Department after unsuccessfully searching for her.

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Richard 'Lanny' Skees

Richard "Lanny" Skees, 67, of Sonora, passed away Saturday, March 17, 2012, at Norton Hospital in Louisville.

He was a member of St. Ignatius Catholic Church. He was retired from the state with 32 years of service as a dairy farm inspector; he was a lifelong farmer, a teacher at Sonora Elementary School and a past president of Sonora Optimist Club. Lanny was a U.S. Army veteran who served in Vietnam.



SKEES

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Mary Jane Reed Skees.

He is survived by his wife, Normaline Ashlock Skees of Sonora; two nephews, Larry D. (Angela) Ashlock and Nathan (Amy) Ashlock; a brother-in-law, Larry G. (Pam) Ashlock; his best buddy, Greg McMurtry; and his dog, Murphy.

The funeral is at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 21, at St. James Catholic Church in Elizabethtown with the Rev. Chuck Walker officiating. Burial follows in St. James Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2 to 8 p.m. today and continues from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Manatee Funeral Home in Elizabethtown where there is a prayer service at 7 p.m. today.

Manatee Funeral Home in Elizabethtown is in charge of arrangements.

The family requests contributions be made to St. Jude Research.

Condolences may be expressed at www.manateefuneralhome.com.

SERVICES

Clarence 'Bud' Brangers, 87, of Radcliff, died Saturday, March 17, 2012. A Mass of Christian burial is at 11 a.m. today at St. Brigid Catholic Church in Vine Grove with burial in St. Brigid Church Cemetery. Visitation continues at 9 a.m. today at Nelson-Edelen-Bennett Funeral Home in Vine Grove.

Major Edward H. Cummings II, retired, 92, of Elizabethtown, died Thursday, March 15, 2012, in Aiken, S.C. The funeral is at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Brown Funeral Home in Elizabethtown with burial in Hardin Memorial Park. Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Gova Van Meter Duncan, 87, formerly of Boston, Ky., died Friday, March 16, 2012. The funeral is at 2 p.m. today at William R. Rust Funeral Home in New Haven with burial in Younger's Creek Baptist Church Cemetery. Visitation continues from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Harold Jennes Priddy, 79, of Hodgenville, died Saturday, March 17, 2012. The funeral is at 2 p.m. today at Bennett-Bertram Funeral Home in Hodgenville. Visitation begins at 10 a.m. today at the funeral home.

Wilma Rider, 86, of Upton, died Friday, March 16, 2012. The funeral is at 11 a.m. today at Lucas Grove Baptist Church in Upton with burial in Sonora Cemetery. Visitation continues at 9 a.m. today at the church. Manatee Funeral Home in Upton is in charge of arrangements.

LAST CHAPTER

Tonga's **King George Tupou V**, who gave up most of his powers to bring a more democratic government to his Pacific island nation, died Sunday at a Hong Kong hospital. He was 63.

Tongan Prime Minister Lord Siale'ataonga Tu'iavakano said in a brief radio address Monday the king died at 3 p.m. Sunday during a visit to Hong Kong. He didn't give a cause of death, but said further details and funeral plans would be released when available.

The prime minister said the king's younger brother and heir to the throne, Crown Prince Tupouto'a Lavaka, was at the king's side when he died.

Paula Mau, a spokesman for the Tongan government, said the king had been traveling in Europe and elsewhere since late November and appeared healthy in photographs taken a few weeks ago when he met with the pope in the Vatican. Mau said the king underwent an operation in the U.S. last year to remove cancer.

Mau said the king was a bachelor who had a daughter out of wedlock – but that she didn't have a claim to the throne under Tonga's constitution, which recognizes only children born in wedlock as legitimate heirs.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

DEFENSE ATTORNEY MEETS
AFGHAN KILLINGS SUSPECT AT
KANSAS MILITARY PRISON.

The lawyer for the Army staff sergeant accused of slaughtering 16 Afghan civilians in a nighttime shooting rampage met his client for the first time Monday and said the soldier has a sketchy memory of the night of the massacre.

Lawyer John Henry Browne said Robert Bales remembers some details from before and after the killings, but very little or nothing from the time the military believes he went on a shooting spree through two Afghan villages.

“He has some memory of some things that happened that night. He has some memories of before the incident and he has some memories of after the incident. In between, very little,” Browne told The Associated Press by telephone from Fort Leavenworth, where Bales is being held.

Pressed on whether Bales can remember anything about the shooting, Browne said, “No,” but added, “I haven’t gotten that far with him yet.” In an earlier interview with CBS News, Browne said unequivocally that Bales couldn’t remember the shootings.

Bales, 38, has not been charged in the March 11 shootings, though charges could come this week. The killings sparked protests in Afghanistan, endangered relations between the two countries and threatened to upend American policy over the decade-old war.

MAN OPENS FIRE IN FRONT
OF JEWISH SCHOOL IN
TOULOUSE, KILLS SEVERAL
PEOPLE.

A gunman has opened fire in front of a Jewish school in a southwest French city killing several people, the Toulouse prosecutor said Monday.

Michel Valet told The Associated Press that there were “several dead” in the morning incident at the school in Toulouse. He said it was unclear whether the victims were children. French media have reported up to three dead, including two children. but this could not immediately be independently confirmed.

The shooter drove away on a scooter, a national police official in Paris said. The official did not wish to be named in line with departmental rules.

Police cordoned off the private Ozar Hathora school in the northeast of Toulouse. Some two hours after the shooting children were still in the school.

President Nicolas Sarkozy called the shootings an “abominable drama and a “frightening tragedy.”

SYRIAN TROOPS CLASH
WITH GUNMEN IN UPSCALE
DAMASCUS NEIGHBORHOOD.

Syrian security forces clashed Monday with gunmen in an upscale neighborhood of the capital Damascus that is home to embassies and senior officials in one of the worst confrontations in the tightly-controlled city center in the country’s yearlong uprising.

The pro-government Ikhbariyah TV station said the clash in the western Mazzeh district left three “terrorists” and a member of the security forces dead. It said one of the attackers was captured and three security troops were wounded.

Ikhbariyah said the attackers were hiding out in an apartment building before the firefight.

A resident of the western Mazzeh district said automatic rifles and machineguns were used in the two-hour clash that ended at about 4 a.m. local time. “We also heard three strong explosions,” said the man who spoke on condition of anonymity for



STATUS CHECK

One World Trade Center, left, and nearby buildings, are reflected Monday in the glass facade of the National September 11 Museum in New York. The tower, now up to the 93rd floor, is expected to be completed late next year.

fear of government reprisal.

He added that the clash was close to the Swiss embassy and the home of Maj. Gen. Assef Shawkat, the deputy chief of staff for

security affairs who is married to President Bashar Assad’s sister, Bushra.

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Mitt Romney’s increasingly confident campaign is intensifying calls – publicly and privately – for his Republican opponents to concede defeat in the presidential nomination battle, even before Illinois voters have their say Tuesday in the campaign’s next big contest.

Romney extended his delegate lead Sunday in Puerto Rico, where he trounced rival Rick Santorum and scored all 20 of

the Caribbean island’s delegates. Romney has collected more delegates than his opponents combined and is poised to win the delegate battle in Illinois, even if he loses the popular vote, thanks to missteps by Santorum’s shoestring operation.

Romney’s wife, Ann, declared Sunday night in suburban Illinois that the time has come for her husband’s rivals to quit the race.

“We need to send a message that it’s time to coalesce,” she said, Mitt at her side. “It’s time to get behind one candidate and get the job done so we can move on to the next challenge, bringing us one step closer to defeating Barack Obama.”

Brushing aside skepticism from the party’s right flank, Romney aides have been emphasizing their overwhelming mathematical advantage. – AP

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Local Car Dealer For The People, Tony Malito from Budget Car Sales, is taking the green thing to a whole new level in 2012. “Everybody’s talking about going green so I’ve decided to go green my way. I’m making green a heck of a lot more fun by lining my customers’ pockets with everyone’s favorite green - cold hard cash.”

“During my Go Green Go Campaign, I’m offering my customers up to

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bonus more than their old car is worth when they trade in their car this month.”

When asked about the details of the campaign, Tony Malito from Budget Car Sales explained, “With some green programs, you must buy a hybrid to qualify for savings.”

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TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE?

When pressed about why he is throwing out such an amazing offer, paying up to \$4,700.00 bonus more for old cars, Malito responded, “My Go Green Go Campaign is a chance for me to give back and a chance for everyday people to get ahead and make their financial goals come true in 2012. I get a stocked lot and keep my business strong. Customers get much-needed cash and the opportunity to drive a nicer, newer car today. It’s a win-win situation for everyone!”

The silver lining behind this campaign is that even the environment gets a boost - between the savings in gas and the improved emission situation, the Go Green Go Campaign helps the planet and the people living on it. That’s something everyone can get behind!

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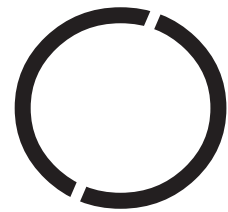
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newer car and to never be stuck in a car they hate. So come on in, and find out how you can GO GREEN my way! It’s a lot more fun than sorting recyclables, I promise. You’ll leave with a nicer, newer car and a lot of extra cash in your pocket, even if you’ve had credit problems in the past. Hey Al Gore, Eat Your Heart Out!”

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The brave ducklings



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Earlier this year, Cpl. Philip McGeath was still alive. Today his smile is a cherished memory to his grieving mother.

"I'm like a mama duck," Phyllis McGeath said. "I know when one of my ducklings isn't with me."

Phyllis' seven ducklings include two of Cpl. McGeath's younger brothers, Lance Cpl. Kenneth McGeath and Pfc. Allen McGeath, who also are Marines. But the Arlington, Texas, mother also feels a great sense of responsibility for an eighth — her eldest son's wife, Sarah.

"She's suffering," the grieving mother said. "They had a lot of dreams."

One of those dreams was having children together.

"They had a baby boy name and a baby girl name picked out," Phyllis said.

With only weeks remaining in the 25-year-old Marine's first Afghanistan deployment, his loved ones were overwhelmed with excitement. Sarah was setting up their new apartment near North Carolina's Camp Lejeune, while the "mama duck" prepared to put her eldest son back under her wing.

"I let myself become complacent by accident," she said. "I let myself feel it was over and he'd be home."

Philip wanted to join the Marine Corps ever since his family spent a few years in Okinawa, Japan, while his father, David McGeath, served as an airman. Though Philip flirted with Air Force and police careers, the "very physical" young man went to boot camp in 2008 and graduated a Marine.

Despite the risks of post-9/11 military service, Philip's decision made his



McGeath family photo

Cpl. Philip McGeath, 25, was killed Jan. 18 while conducting combat operations in Afghanistan's Helmand province.

parents proud.

"I would always put on my brave face and cheer him on," his mother said.

The Marine had to put on his own brave face after two of his five brothers decided to follow in his footsteps.

"At first, he wasn't real happy that his younger brothers were going to go in," their mother said. "But when they made it through boot camp, he was ecstatic."

Philip left for Afghanistan in July 2011.

"We loved him and supported him," Phyllis said, her voice cracking from emotion. "This is what he wanted, and he wanted to do it well."

Even though the comforts many Americans take for granted were gone, Philip seemed to genuinely enjoy serving with the 1st Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment in southern Afghanistan.

"They had showers set up, but they couldn't get the water warm enough," the Marine's mom said. "But at least he made sure to shave every day."

As darkness filled Afghanistan's war-torn night skies, Philip called home on Christmas morning in America.

"He was excited," the mother said. "I said: 'Keep your chin up; look to God. But watch where you walk.'"

"Always, Mom," the confident Marine replied.

On Jan. 18, Cpl. McGeath was killed while conducting combat operations in Afghanistan's Helmand province. According to his mother, a suicide bomber on a motorcycle "came and blew him up" in a civilian square. She said three

Marines were wounded, including one seriously, in the cowardly terrorist attack.

"It was such a sucker punch," Phyllis said less than two months after her son was killed. "I never, ever, ever expected this."

One of the Gold Star mother's only comforts is how fellow Marines responded to the tragedy.

"He was never alone," she said. "I was told by several of his squad members at the memorial service how they all stood by him as he was laying on the stretcher."

Though angry at the terrorist who murdered her son and annoyed by the subsequent media obsession over Whitney Houston's death, Phyllis won't allow herself to become bitter.

"He lived a full life in 25 years," she said. "We may not have thought it was done, but God thought it was."

Her focus now is on making sure her devastated daughter-in-law's dreams stay alive.

"We want her to love again and have babies," Phyllis candidly explained. "Philip wouldn't begrudge her any of that happiness."

As Phyllis McGeath adjusts to life without one of her ducklings, she hopes a media-driven culture will start paying more attention to the brave men and women who protect the pond.

"I just want people to understand that there is still a war going on," the mother of fallen Marine Cpl. Philip McGeath said.

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Old laws stymie progress

By **PHILIP K. HOWARD**
For Scripps Howard News Service

America is basically run by dead people: We elect new representatives, but continue on with policy from decades ago. To go forward, Congress needs to confront the past.

America is mired in a tar pit of accumulated law. Reformers propose new laws to fix health care, schools and the regulatory system, but almost never suggest cleaning out the legal swamp these institutions operate in. These complex legal tangles not only set goals but allocate resources and dictate the minutest details of how to meet those goals. Most are obsolete in whole or part.

Nothing important can be fixed without re-making a coherent legal framework.

The flaw is not one that can be solved by deregulation. Almost no one, for example, would disagree about the need to provide education for disabled children. But a special education law, enacted in 1975, was structured as an open-ended mandate and soon spun out of control. Today, special ed consumes 20 percent of the total K-12 budget in America. Programs for gifted children get less than half of one percent, and pre-K education draws almost nothing. Is this a sensible allocation of education money? No one is even asking the question.

Congress treats most laws as if they were the Ten Commandments — except they're more like the 10 million commandments. Most legislative programs do not codify timeless principles of right and wrong. They are tools of social management. These laws allocate social resources — almost 70 percent of federal revenue in 2010 was consumed by three entitlement programs enacted a half century or more ago. Congress almost never goes back to rationalize these programs. Running

government today is like trying to run a business using every idea every manager ever had.

There are four problems caused by the accumulation of old law:

■ Too much law causes paralysis. Over the past century laws have piled up, like sediment in the harbor, until it's almost impossible to do anything sensibly. Building a "green infrastructure," for example, is stymied by environmental processes that sometimes consume upward of a decade.

■ Laws have unintended consequences. Things never work out as planned. Sometimes a well-meaning idea, such as special education, ends up undermining other important goals.

■ Priorities change. The more specific a law, the faster it becomes obsolete. In the 1930s, when many farmers were struggling, Congress enacted farm subsidies. The crisis ended by 1941. Now, 70 years later, farm prices are at record highs, and much of farming is done by corporations. But the farm subsidies continue — \$15 billion in 2010.

■ Fixing what ails America is impossible, indeed illegal, without a legal spring cleaning. The goal is not mainly to "deregulate" but to restate programs in light of current needs and priorities.

As a practical matter, this requires Congress to authorize special commissions to make proposals, area by area. Using the base closing commission model, these proposals would be submitted to Congress for an up or down vote. Going forward, Con-

gress should incorporate sunset provisions in all laws with budgetary impact. The goal is not to end good programs but to impose a discipline that is essential for a functioning democracy that must constantly make tough tradeoffs.

Accumulated law is not a problem our founders anticipated. They made it hard to enact new laws, thinking they would thereby protect the open field of freedom against too much legal interference. But 200 years later, the land of the free is a legal swamp. It's hard to dredge, because those same checks and balances apply to repealing a law — with one additional impediment. Once a law is enacted, it is immediately surrounded by an army of special interests. Not one word can be changed until a majority of Congress has run a gauntlet of special interests, flogging each member with campaign funding. That's why changing old law is so politically difficult as to be unthinkable.

"The difficulty lies not in the new ideas," John Maynard Keynes observed, "but in escaping from the old ones." American government is trapped in structures of its own making. The essential first step in rescuing America is a spring-cleaning. It's hard to fix things until we can make fresh choices.

Philip K. Howard is the author of "The Death of Common Sense" and "Life Without Lawyers." He is chairman of Common Good (commongood.org), a legal and civic reform organization. This piece originated on the Web site of The Atlantic (www.theatlantic.com).

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children: that this nation never goes to war except to protect truth and justice and fair play. Did the terrorists need quelling? Of course they did, and they do. But Tuchman's definition of folly is overreaction that produces results counter to one's self-interests after repeated warning. There was a reason to be in Afghanistan originally, but it's increasingly obvious that there is none now — and that our self-interest probably lies in permitting the inevitable to happen without the loss of another American life or of overstressed combat troops who have been asked to fight too long snapping either at home or in the combat zone.

The nation's brave

troops are too few — the Army has just over a half-million — to find themselves deployed again and again in a situation that is half-occupy, half-fight, with an unachievable end. Sgt. Robert Bales, the Army sniper accused of a murderous attack on sleeping villagers, including many women and children, had served 1,192 days in Iraq and Afghanistan and was on his fourth deployment. He had been denied promotion, and his appeal to be let out of the latest assignment had been denied. He and his wife, who have two young children, were forced to put up the family home for sale.

In Iraq, he had received a head wound.

Was Bales psychologically fit for duty? The question might never be settled, but the results of this pressure are hard to

deny. He has been called a good soldier and, obviously, thousands of his fellow combatants haven't inexplicably committed murder. But check the military suicide and family violence rates if you doubt the impact of this prolonged nightmare. Every person under similar circumstances reacts differently.

What should the military and its civilian leaders learn from this episode that they couldn't have learned from Vietnam or by listening to generals — and there were several prominent ones — who

warned that the nation could hardly sustain occupying Iraq and Afghanistan with so few troops? To be trite, the proof of these warnings is in the pudding. There is no draft to support such adventurism. If there had been, we would have left this miserable scene much sooner.

History is an excellent guidepost if it is followed — ask the Russians or the British or the Trojans.

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DEAR ABBY

Four years of college is not the only road to success

Dear Abby: Do you think every American child should get a four-year college degree? I keep meeting students who have a real talent and passion for other jobs – military, cosmetology or skilled trades, such as Internet technology and carpentry – but whose parents are furious at the suggestion they might not graduate from a four-year college.

Graduating from college has been part of what we envision as the “American dream,” but not every kid is going to be fulfilled after getting one of those degrees when the jobs that go with it don’t materialize. Because someone chooses a career path that isn’t what a parent hoped for doesn’t mean he or she can’t be successful. – Ann Arbor Reader

■ Dear Reader: I have had this discussion with many people over the years and I agree. While it is crucial young people finish high school, not every child is intellectually inclined. Many have talents better-suited to the trades. A person with skill and drive can earn a good living as a plumber, electrician, tailor or in the food industry.

Some brilliant and successful people started but didn’t finish college. Economic realities being what they are today, parents should be flexible and sensitive to their children’s aspirations on this subject.

SECRET LOVER. Dear Abby: For 20 years, my secret (to some, but not to others) involvement with a married man has kept me on an emotional roller coaster. We were both married at the time it began, and it always was understood we would not leave our partners. How-

JEANNIE PHILLIPS

ever, since then my marriage has broken down. Conventional wisdom – expressed by friends, family and your column repeatedly – has it I should end this hopeless affair, get out and meet other men. I have made numerous attempts, but have accepted he’s the only man I feel comfortable being intimate with. I don’t want him to leave his marriage, from which he draws much respectability and desperately needed security. However, his obvious delight in our afternoon trysts does suggest his so-called picture-perfect marriage doesn’t meet his emotional and sexual needs. And that’s what irks me.

Would it be morally reprehensible for me to let his wife know she has been made a fool of for the last 20 years? – Seething in Canada

■ Dear Seething: Yes. Resist the urge. What makes you think his wife doesn’t know? Once more than two people know this kind of “secret,” word has a way of circulating. I see nothing positive to be gained by trying to hurt the wife. If your lover has to make a choice between the two of you, the person who will get the boot will be you. You knew this from the beginning.

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‘TWEEN 12 & 20

Your boyfriend is a winner

Dr. Wallace: My boyfriend is the type of guy every girl would love. He is handsome, intelligent, sensitive, kind and honest. He also has a great sense of humor. Chuck and I have been going together for more than two months. I am the happiest girl in Florida when I’m with Chuck, and I love him very much.

He comes from a troubled home. His parents are divorced, and he lives with an older sister and his mother. His father is an alcoholic. His older sister is not married and never has been, but she has a child. We have discussed his home life. He loves his family, but he knows he is not responsible for their lifestyles. He says he has learned a lot from his family’s mistakes.

My mother is upset I’m dating Chuck because “he is a part of a very unstable home.” Mom is status-minded and always is worrying about what her friends will say. I don’t plan to lose Chuck for any reason. But things would be a lot easier if my mom would treat him for himself and not his family problems. Do you have any tips to help change Mom’s mind about my boyfriend? – Nameless, Ft. Walton, Beach, Fla.

■ Nameless: Prejudging is a very common human flaw and at times, we all are guilty of prejudging. The better your mother gets to know Chuck, the better she will be able to judge him for his character. Invite Chuck to spend time in your home, and invite Mom to go out with Chuck and you for a snack. It won’t take long before Mom realizes he is a winner, and you are, indeed, fortunate to have a



ROBERT WALLACE

relationship with a wonderful guy.

DRUG USERS ENJOY COMPANY. Dr. Wallace: Why do you think kids take drugs? I know there are many reasons, but I’d like to hear what you think about this. The reason I’m asking is I hate to take pills and legal drugs when I’m sick, and the thought of putting a needle in my arm turns my stomach. – Lilly, Marinette, Wis.

■ Lilly: There are indeed many reasons why teens take drugs. After giving your question a great deal of thought, I feel the two prime reasons are peer pressure and depression. The old saying, “Misery enjoys company,” is so true when it pertains to teens and drugs. Most drug users never seem satisfied getting high by themselves. They always seem to enjoy inviting others to partake. That’s one reason drug use (including alcohol) is very common at certain parties. Non-users are told how wonderful drugs are and then are invited (pressured) to join in the fun. Only the strong-willed have the courage to say no.

Drugs alter behavior. Some teens, who are depressed because of family problems, school failure, or a breakup with a steady boyfriend or girlfriend, turn to drugs as an escape from the pressures of reality. Unfortunately, taking drugs only compounds the situation.

Email Dr. Robert Wallace at rwallace@galesburg.net. Distributed by Creators Syndicate Inc.

MCKAIN AWARDED SECOND ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

Air Force Staff Sgt. Kenneth McKain was recently awarded his second Air Force Achievement Medal for providing life-saving treatment after arriving at the scene of a near fatal motorcycle accident in Germany.

In part the citation reads “Sergeant McKain arrived on the scene of a motorcycle accident which had resulted in serious injuries to the rider. Without hesitation he initiated lifesaving actions to the critically injured motorcyclist whose major injuries included severe head trauma, a broken back and a collapsed lung. After immobilizing the victim Sergeant McKain administered intravenous fluids and oxygen ... stabilized the victim until

paramedics arrived, assisting them in providing the medical attention that ultimately saved the victim’s life.”

This was the second incident in which McKain, a 12-year Air Force veteran, was first on the scene of a severe motorcycle accident, providing aid to the injured riders until medical help arrived. He was cited for his humanitarian efforts to prevent loss of life and limb in both instances.

McKain is a 1997 graduate of Central Hardin High School and is the son of Bruce and Karola McKain of Elizabethtown. He lives with his daughter, Faith Maria McKain, in Adana, Turkey, where he is stationed with the Air Force.



Air Force Major Graves, of the 702nd Munitions Support Squadron, 52nd Munitions Maintenance Group, 52nd Fighter wing, Buechel Airbase, Germany, presents Staff Sgt. Kenneth McKain with his award.

MILITARY CALENDAR

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS

Several local organizations provide service officers to assist veterans and their families file claims and appeals for Veterans Affairs benefits.

ORGANIZATION/SITE	DAYS	TIMES	CONTACT
American Legion Post 113 of Elizabethtown 1251 Ring Road	Tuesday and first Thursday	9 a.m.-1 p.m.	737-9949
DAV Chapter 003, Elizabethtown Ireland Army Hospital, Fort Knox. Enter through the Patient Services Center next to the pharmacy waiting area.	Monday, Tuesday Wednesday	10 a.m.-3 p.m.	Rick Seekman, 351-2917
DAV Chapter 003 State service officer Lincoln Trail Career Center, 916 N. Mulberry St., E’town	First three Thursdays of the month	9 a.m.-noon	Dave Jarrett, 765-6340; or Ron Chasten, 769-9787
DAV Radcliff Chapter 156 Basement, Radcliff City Hall	Monday-Thursday	10 a.m.-3 p.m.	351-3666
Fort Knox Veterans Service Office, One-stop building 1384, Fort Knox	Monday-Thursday	9 a.m.-noon	Clint and Mildred Meshew, (502) 624-4103
Pritchard Community Center 404 W. Mulberry St., E’town	Fourth Tuesday	1:30-4 p.m.	Frank Niederriter, (502) 799-0418 or (866) 817-1360.
Vine Grove Veterans’ Assistance and Information Center Vine Grove City Hall	Thursday	10 a.m.-3 p.m.	Ret. Sgt. Maj. Ralph Martinez (270) 877-0675

Potluck at 6:30. POC: Arveeda Gordon, 351-3611.

Fort Knox Chapter of the National Infantry Assoc., 11 a.m.-1 p.m. March 22, The Landing Zone, 2723 Spearhead Loop, Fort Knox, in the Sports Room; anyone interested in maintaining or supporting the Infantry ethos is welcome. POC: Michael Pesko, 602-7019; mike.pesko@us.army.mil.

Saturday

Ducks Unlimited’s ‘Sportman’s Night Out,’ 6 p.m. March 24, VFW Post 10281, 299 Briggs Lane, Vine Grove, sponsored by the Ducks Unlimited Fort Knox Committee. 2012 marks the 75th anniversary for DU’s habitat conservation mission which benefits wildlife and people. POC: Robert Gilpin, 900-1254.

Monday

DAV van service, from Hardin County to Grayson

County VA Clinic, Mondays Only. POC: Tom Vaughn, 854-5630.

Free transportation to Ireland Army Community Hospital (veterans’ clinic) provided by Radcliff DAV Chapter 156; must have valid appointment, a letter from the doctor and someone to accompany you. POC: 351-3666. Call by Thursday for Monday appointments.

Upcoming

Rolling Thunder Inc., Kentucky Chapter Four monthly membership and business meeting, 2 p.m. April 1 in the Community Center, 135 N. Poplar St., Lebanon Junction. Dues are \$30 per year. Anyone can join, even though many members are veterans and ride motorcycles. Major functions of Rolling Thunder are to publicize the POW/MIA issue, help homeless and disabled veterans of all wars, and other veterans’ issues. POC: Sally Johns, 352-2754.

MEDDAC Retirees, Dutch treat lunch, 11:30 a.m. April 4, Golden Corral, 1835 N. Dixie, E’town. Military and spouses welcome. POC: Kay Hensley, 351-6440.

Main Post Chapel, 1173 Spearhead Division Ave, Fort Knox, will host a reenactment through music and drama of the night Jesus was betrayed, “The Living Last Supper,” with living characters from DaVinci’s famous painting; 7:30 p.m. April 5. As Jesus’ disciples pose in DaVinci’s tableau, each questions his own relationship with Jesus, asking, “Is it I, Lord?” They share the Passover meal while the choir sings special selections. The congregation may also share in the bread and cup. POC: the Rev. Ronald Masoni, 351-7483.

DAV Disabled Veterans briefing, 11 a.m. April 14, Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church, 1106 South Wilson Road, Radcliff. Lunch follows. POC: the Rev. Michael Gamble, 304-5892.

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Wendy's takes over No. 2 spot from Burger King

By CANDICE CHOI
AP Food Industry Writer

NEW YORK — Wendy's has dethroned Burger King as the country's second biggest hamburger chain.

A report by the food industry research firm Technomic Inc. set to be released next month will show that Wendy's edged out Burger King in U.S. sales volume for the first time last year since Wendy's was founded in 1969.

Wendy's had sales of \$8.5 billion in 2011, compared with \$8.4 billion for Burger King. McDonald's remained far larger than both with \$34.2 billion in sales.

The figures are based Technomic's estimates of system-wide sales at franchise and company-owned restaurants, rather than corporate revenue, which includes fees from franchise operators. Worldwide, Burger King still has far more restaurants than Wendy's and remains the second biggest hamburger chain.

Both Burger King and Wendy's have struggled in recent years to keep up with the growth of McDonald's, which has managed to keep prices



REED SAXON/The Associated Press

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low through the recession, while also introducing new menu items and remodeling restaurants. Sales are up 26 percent in the past five years at McDonald's, up 9 percent at Wendy's and flat at Burger King, according to Technomic.

Burger King has been

reevaluating its business since it was acquired by investment firm 3G Capital in 2010. The privately held company that's based in Miami recently retired its mascot "The King" last year and launched a new advertising campaign focused more on food.

Despite its edge over Burger King, Wendy's also has been on a mission to reinvent itself as a higher-end hamburger chain with new items like the Dave's Hot 'N Juicy burger introduced last fall. CEO Emil Brolick, who called the Dublin, Ohio-based company's poor performance in recent years "self-inflicted wounds," also laid out plans this year to raise standards for employees and update stores with an airier, more modern look.

The sales rankings for the top five restaurant chains have undergone another dramatic shift in the past five years, according to Technomic. In 2006, the No. 2 and No. 3 spots were held by Burger King and Wendy's respectively, making the top three companies all hamburger chains.

Subway now is No. 2 with \$11.4 billion in sales last year and Starbucks is No. 3 with \$9.8 billion. U.S. sales at both companies have grown at a much faster rate than the top three hamburger chains, with Subway sales up 48 percent from five years ago and Starbucks sales up 39 percent.

Groupon launching appointment scheduling tool

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Groupon is launching an online scheduling tool so small businesses can let customers book appointments more easily.

The tool launched Monday lets Groupon users book appointments for massages, haircuts, guided

tours and other services they purchase deals for. Businesses also can use it to book appointments that are not sold through Groupon Inc.

The Chicago-based online deals company said it is offering the scheduler free of charge to businesses that use Groupon. It also will be free for merchants that sign up in the next three months, even

if they haven't offered any Groupon deals. The company didn't say how much the service will cost later.

Restaurants and hotels aren't eligible. Groupon said they usually have their own scheduling systems in place and the tool, called Groupon Scheduler, doesn't support these types of businesses.

Warmer than normal?

As I write this column on the "official" last day of winter, the high temperature is forecasted to be 81 degrees. With temperatures in the 70s and 80s much of the last week, the warm-up has been nice, but certainly unusual. This recent warm spell led me to ask myself, "Just how unusually warm has it been?" With that question in mind, I ventured over to the UK Ag Weather website (www.agwx.ca.uky.edu) where I pulled up historical weather data for the Nolin Lake Weather Station from present day back to 1971.

While there, I compared the average daily temperatures from March 1 to March 18 for each year. The average temperature for 2012 was 53.7 degrees. First, I compared that average temperature to some recent years. In 2011, it was 48 degrees, almost 6 degrees lower than this year. 2010 was 45 degrees. Certainly warmer than the last two years.

In fact, I found that the first 18 days of March 2012 have been the warmest in the last 10 years. The only two years in the last 10 that were even close to this year's records were 2006 and 2007, which had average temperatures of 51.7 and 50.3 degrees, respectively. Keep these two years in mind, and I'll get back to them.

As I scrolled through the data back to 1971, only two years stuck out as having average daily temperatures comparable to this month. They were 1990, which had an average daily temperature of 52.5 for those days, and 1973, which had an average daily temperature of 55.2 degrees for



MATT ADAMS

March 1-18 — 1.5 degrees warmer than the first 18 days of March this year.

What about the remainder of the month in those years? 43.9 degrees in 1990 and 48.9 degrees in 1973, which is cooler than normal.

Digging deeper, I looked into 2006 and 2007. In 2006, the average daily temperature from March 19-31 was 43.6 degrees, 8.1 degrees cooler than the first 18 days of the month. 2007 is when things got interesting. The average daily temperature from March 19-31 that year was 63.5 degrees, more than 13 degrees warmer than the first of the month. Then what happened in April? The average daily temperature for the first two weeks of April 2007 was 49.0 degrees. ... Anyone remember the Easter freeze of 2007? Now take a look at a 10 day forecast: 70s and 80s predicted for the next 10 days, or through March 28. Now, I'm not predicting a late spring freeze or saying April will be cooler than normal, I just think it's interesting and worth noting how the two years compare. One should just keep in mind spring can be unpredictable and we have a lot of spring left this year. Plus, this season's unusually warm temperatures are setting us up for a catastrophic event should a freeze occur in April.

HARDIN COUNTY CATTLEMEN'S MEETING

The Hardin County Cattle-men's Association holds a general membership meeting at 6:30 p.m. March 29 at the Hardin County Extension Service office. Doug Shepherd and Matt Adams, Hardin County Extension agents for agriculture, will present an exciting new compound called "SmartGrass," which is a gibberlic acid compound that promotes early grass growth during cool weather. A meal will be served. For more information on this meeting, contact the Hardin County Extension Service office at 765-4121.

So why worry about when the spring warm up occurs? As mentioned before, a freeze in April, after a warm March allowed plants to break dormancy early and begin spring growth, could be a disaster. Also, early warm temperatures allow earlier-than-normal weed growth and earlier insect infestations. Farmers should adjust scouting strategies accordingly.

Whatever the next few weeks bring, producers should be prepared to adjust management strategies in a timely manner.

For more information on pest management and agronomic scouting strategies, contact the Hardin County Extension Service at 765-4121.

Matt Adams is a Hardin County Extension agent for agriculture and natural resources.

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ENERGY

Oil prices top \$108 per barrel

Oil prices rose above \$108 per barrel Monday as optimism grows about a strengthening global economy.

A private survey of the U.S. homebuilding industry on Monday found companies are increasingly hopeful home sales will rise in coming months. International Monetary Fund Managing Director Christine

Lagarde also said over the weekend the global economy has "stepped back from the brink."

A pipeline company also is getting closer to opening a new transportation route to the Gulf Coast, relieving a glut of oil in the Midwest that has depressed the price of U.S. crude.

Benchmark U.S. crude added \$1.03 to end the day at \$108.09 per barrel in New York. The price has increased by nearly \$3 per barrel in the last two trading days.

From wire reports.

MARKETWATCH MONDAY

U.S. STOCKS DRIFT HIGHER BUT CAN'T MATCH LAST WEEK.

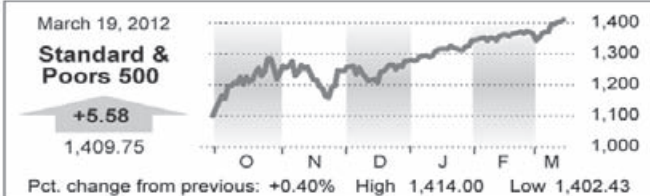
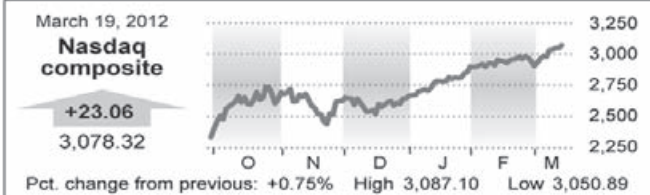
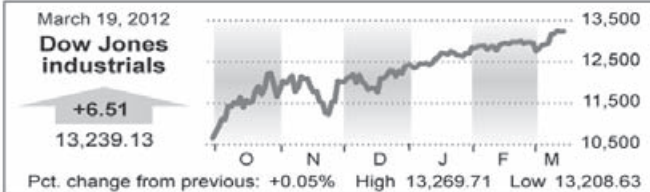
U.S. stocks drifted higher Monday but lost the momentum from their biggest week of the year. A dividend from Apple, a deal for UPS and the promise of greater demand for U.S. Steel drove those stocks to gains. An index of homebuilder confidence came in unchanged. Without major economic news or headlines out of Europe, the markets were steered by announcements from a handful of well-known companies. Apple rose 2.7 percent to \$601.10, its first close above \$600, after announcing it would pay a shareholder dividend and buy back \$10 billion of its stock over three years.

Local stocks

How stocks of local and statewide interest fared Monday as compiled by The Wright Legacy Group.

Company	Price	Change	Volume	52wkL-H
Cardinal Health (CAH)	41.23	-0.36	1,439,624	37.53-47.06
Churchill Downs (CHDN)	57.47	+1.89	63,253	36.67-60.00
Corning Inc. (GLW)	14.28	-0.05	18,755,583	11.51-22.05
Dow Chemical (DOW)	35.44	+0.14	6,747,111	20.61-42.23
First Fint Svcs Corp. (FFKY)	3.35	+0.15	1,700	1.00-5.17
Ford Motor Co. (F)	12.63	+0.12	52,396,491	9.05-16.18
General Electric (GE)	20.21	+0.01	42,130,926	14.02-20.85
Humana Inc. (HUM)	87.17	+0.53	1,311,748	64.06-96.46
Lexmark (LXK)	35.30	+0.24	649,089	25.87-38.69
Papa John's (PZZA)	37.20	+0.04	142,125	26.95-40.82
PNC Fin. Svcs (PNC)	63.64	+0.22	2,962,551	42.70-64.37
United Parcel Service (UPS)	81.11	+2.70	11,885,021	60.74-81.79
Verizon Comms (VZ)	39.65	+0.08	10,244,172	32.28-40.48
Wal-Mart Stores (WMT)	60.74	-0.10	8,175,300	48.31-62.63
Yum! Brands (YUM)	69.06	+0.66	2,039,479	47.15-69.35

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GRAIN REPORT

Opening bids for Tuesday, March 20, by elevators/mills to farmers:

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Trend:	Down 9-14	Down 9	Down 7-10	Down 20-21
Louisville	6.71		13.61	6.58
Pennyrile	6.92	7.84	13.57 (Milling Quality)	6.62
Purchase	6.77		13.69	6.51
Central Bluegrass	6.31-6.74		13.14-13.46	6.08
Cumberland Lake				
Mammoth Cave	6.83-6.89		13.57-13.61	6.32-6.42
Lincoln Trail	6.60-6.78		13.30	

	U.S. No. 2 Oats Extra Heavy	U.S. No. 2 Feed Barley
Trend:	Down 9	Down 8
Mammoth Cave	6.74	4.82

	U.S. No. 2 Yellow Corn	U.S. No. 1 Yellow Soybeans	U.S. No. 2 Soft Red Winter Wheat
Louisville	5.39	12.91	6.49
Pennyrile	5.81	13.06 (Milling Quality)	6.46
Purchase			6.49
Central Bluegrass	5.37-5.45	12.90	6.09-6.26
Mammoth Cave	5.50	12.90-12.96	6.25-6.26

	U.S. No. 2 White Corn	U.S. No. 2 Feed Barley
Pennyrile	6.15	
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ASK FOOD

How does diet affect chronic inflammation?

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Q: Can my diet contribute to chronic inflammation?

A: The foods you are eating may be the root of some major health problems and even contribute to your achy joints. How many of these foods end up on your plate each day?

■ Saturated fats, which are found in animal products like meats and dairy.

■ Trans-fats, which can be found in processed foods, baked goods and some oils.

■ Sugar: Yes, table sugar is important to avoid, but added sugar is the real culprit.

■ Refined carbohydrates, which are made with processed, white flour and contain little to no fiber.

Here are some healthy upgrades.

■ Choose low-fat dairy products and lean meats.

■ Minimize processed foods.

■ Eat fruits, vegetables and whole grains.

Hungry? Here are some foods that may help reduce chronic inflammation:

■ Foods that are rich in omega-3 are key. Try salmon, ahi tuna, sardines, nuts and seeds like flax, chia and hemp.

■ Olive oil, onion, turmeric, garlic and ginger have chemicals that act as a pain reliever and anti-inflammatory.

■ Berries, as well as deep red and purple fruits, are loaded with antioxidants and free radical-fighting properties that can aid in the prevention of chronic inflammation.

■ Broccoli, asparagus, carrots and many other deep orange and dark green vegetables are loaded with phyto-nutrients to prevent inflammation.

■ All types of tea have anti-inflammatory properties.

FOOD TIPS

Five cool things to know about your refrigerator

Food Network Kitchens

Foods like raw meat and dairy are only as good as the environment where they're stored. A refrigerator in tiptop condition provides prime storage conditions for perishables and prevents odors and bacteria from settling in.

1. THE TEMPERATURE SHOULD REMAIN BETWEEN 30 DEGREES AND 40 DEGREES. While freezers should clock in at zero or below-zero temperatures, a refrigerator that hovers no higher than 40 degrees is safest for food storage, as it inhibits bacterial growth.

2. IT NEEDS TO BE CLEANED EACH SEASON. Freshen up the fridge and its contents by doing away with odors and lingering germs. Remove everything from inside, weeding out items that need to go. (Put odds and ends to use in everything but the kitchen sink – salads, pizzas and soups.) Replace open boxes of baking soda, then take a bucket of water combined with a few spoonfuls of the replaced baking soda – it's still effective as a household cleaner – and wipe down every surface.

3. SHELVES CLOSEST TO THE FREEZER ARE WHERE IT'S COLDEST. Store the most highly perishable foods (think milk and raw meats) in the colder section, with more stabilized goods like leftovers and produce in the warmer sections.

4. REFRIGERATOR DOOR SHELVES ARE WHERE IT'S WARMEST. Each time the fridge is opened, the door gets a blast of hot air, which lowers the temperature. Use this section of the refrigerator to store more stabilized goods like condiments, leftovers and juice.

5. CRISPER DRAWERS LOCK IN MOISTURE. Produce needs humidity to prevent wilting and drying out. Vegetables need more humidity and fruit needs less, so store them separately with different humidity levels for optimum freshness. One vegetable takes exception: Store mushrooms outside of the crisper, as high humidity turns them slimy.

KITCHEN ADVENTURES

Peanut butter and chocolate: The perfect combination

There is one combination in a dessert that excites me like no other – chocolate and peanut butter. Whoever first decided to put these two foods together is a genius.

On one of my nightly surfs through Pinterest, I found a cake recipe that stopped me in my tracks, a Reese's Peanut Butter Cup Cake.

This was one cake I needed to try to conquer.

I will warn you, this one has some complications.

For the cake, the recipe calls for any chocolate cake recipe so choose your favorite. The person who put the recipe on Pinterest recommended using a box cake mix because the recipe she used did not get firm and crumbled when she assembled the cake. I took that advice and used a devil's food cake mix.

After making the cake by the box's directions and letting it cool, it was time to start on the filling. If you follow the directions it makes a liquid chocolate and peanut butter fudgey goodness. But that's also where the problems were.

The assembly directions gave no instructions on the consistency needed for the fudge filling between the two layers of cake. It says cool completely but it also needed to tell you to let it set up a bit to thicken. If you don't, your top layer of the cake will slide off because the filling is too runny.

I know this because it happened to me, resulting in a very lopsided cake.

After cleaning up much of the fudge filling that wound up on my counter, I put the cake in the fridge for the filling to set up a little before the next step.

The rest of the assembly went smoothly according to the directions.

There's a second change I would make to the recipe. The suggested frosting recipe makes a very thick icing as opposed to the runny filling problem.

Because it was a bit thick, it didn't spread well over the first layer of fudge frosting. I would recommend a different frosting. I included one Mary Alice Holt, former food columnist at *The News-Enterprise*, found a few months ago that might work better.



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Reese's Peanut Butter Cup Cake.

REESE'S PEANUT BUTTER CUP CAKE

For cake:

Any chocolate cake recipe or mix

For filling:

8 ounces semi-sweet chocolate, roughly chopped

8 ounces heavy cream

1/2 cup creamy peanut butter

1/2 cup Reese's peanut butter cups, roughly chopped

For frosting:

1/2 cup creamy peanut butter

1/2 cup butter, at room temperature

2 teaspoon vanilla extract

2 cups powdered sugar

For filling: Heat the cream until it just begins to boil. Pour it over the chocolate in a medium bowl. Whisk until the chocolate melts, then whisk in the peanut butter until smooth. Set aside 1/4 of the filling for the first layer of frosting. Completely cool the other 3/4, then gently stir in the peanut butter cups.

For frosting: Cream together the butter and peanut butter. Add the vanilla, then the sugar. Beat until fluffy.

Assembly: Place one 9-inch round on a cake stand or plate. Cover the top with the peanut butter fudge filling. Place the second 9-inch round on top. Using the reserved filling, spread a thin layer on the outside of the cake. Refrigerate until the fudge is set and firm to the touch.

Slather the whole thing in the peanut butter frosting. Decorate with peanut butter cups.

Found on www.pinterest.com.

Alternate frosting:

1/2 cup butter, softened

1 cup peanut butter

4 cups confectioner's sugar

1/3 cup cream (or milk)

Combine all ingredients and beat until well blended. Add a little more cream if you need to for the right consistency. One percent milk also works if you don't have any cream available.

Needless to say, it wasn't the most beautiful cake I've ever made. But it's more important to know how it tasted.

After I poured a large glass of milk and cut a good size slice, I tasted it. This cake was good. The peanut butter and chocolaty goodness prevailed over the assembly issues.

The Reese's Peanut Butter Cake is a good one to try but you might have to tinker with it like I did. Much assembly is required so it's not a cake you can make in a hurry. If you have the time, it's worth the effort.

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A DASH OF GLASS

Sweet ideas for upcoming Hosparus Tea



NORA SWEAT

One of Hardin County's most elegant community events is from 2 to 4 p.m. March 31 at Severns Valley Baptist Church on Ring Road in Elizabethtown. That event is the Hosparus Tea. Last year was my first year to attend and I was very impressed. The table decorations are second to none in beauty, elegance and style. Themes were present in many of the table centerpieces.

Very attractive, debonair gentlemen decked out in their fanciest tuxedos served sweets and savories on fine china place settings. As fancy as everything was, there was hard work going on in the kitchen getting food trays ready for serving. Carol Brown has served as chair of the tea for many years and has done a fantastic job, but health problems are causing her to cut back. This year she has a co-chairwoman Ginny Whitt, a name familiar to many of you who were fans of her former business, Whitt's End.

Carol and Ginny are asking for those of you who can help to bake four to six dozen small cookies or sweets that would be used for the Hosparus Tea to call the Hosparus office at 737-6300 as soon as possible to let them know what and how much you can bring. On March 31, you would take them to Severns Valley between 9 and 10 a.m.

If you are not sure what you want to make, I have some recipes that might give you an idea. Remember, they need to be small, not large cookies you might serve at other times.

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PECAN GOODY CUPS (AKA PECAN TASSIES)

3/4 c. butter, softened

2-3 ounce packages cream cheese, softened

2 c. all-purpose flour

1 1/2 cups packed brown sugar

2 eggs

1 T. butter, melted

48 pecan halves

In a large bowl, beat butter and cream cheese until light and fluffy. Gradually add flour, beating until mixture forms a ball. Cover and refrigerate for 15 minutes. To make the filling, in a small bowl, combine the brown sugar, eggs and butter. Roll dough into 1 inch balls. Press on the bottoms and up the sides of greased miniature muffin cups. Spoon filling into cups; top each with a pecan half.

Bake at 350 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown. Cool for 2 to 3 minutes before removing from pans to wire racks. Makes 48.

Source: Taste of Home website

CHOCOLATE CRACKLE COOKIES

1 1/4 c. firmly packed brown sugar

1 stick all-vegetable shortening

1 t. vanilla

2 eggs

2 c. all purpose flour

6 T. cocoa

1/2 t. salt

1/4 t. baking soda

2/3 c. miniature semi-sweet chocolate chips

1/3 c. sugar

1/2 c. powdered sugar

Beat brown sugar, shortening and vanilla in large bowl with an electric mixer at medium speed until well blended. Add eggs; beat until fluffy. Stir together flour, cocoa, salt and baking soda. Gradually add to shortening mixture, beating at medium speed just until blended. Stir in chocolate chips. Cover and chill 3 hours. Shape dough into 1 inch balls. Roll in granulated sugar, then in powdered sugar to coat completely. Place 2 inches apart on ungreased baking sheet. Bake the cookies for 6 to 8 minutes or until cookies are set. Cool 2 minutes on baking sheet. Remove to wire rack to cool completely.

Source: www.crisco.com/recipes

WHITE CHOCOLATE CRANBERRY COOKIES

1/3 c. butter, softened

1/2 c. packed brown sugar

1/3 c. sugar

1 egg

1 t. vanilla

1 1/2 c. all purpose

flour

1/2 t. salt

1/2 t. baking soda

3/4 c. dried cranberries

1/2 c. white chocolate chips

Beat sugars and butter until crumbly, about 2 minutes. Beat in egg and vanilla. Combine the flour, salt and baking soda; gradually add to butter mixture and mix well. Stir in cranberries and chips.

Drop by teaspoonfuls 2 inches apart onto baking sheets coated with cooking spray. Bake the cookies at 375 degrees for 6 to 8 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool for 1 minute before removing to wire racks. Makes 2 dozen.

Source: Taste of Home website

BROWNIE BOURBON BITES

1/2 c. butter, softened

1/2 c. packed brown sugar

1/4 c. bourbon

1 c. all purpose flour

3 T. cocoa

1/2 c. miniature semi-sweet chocolate chips

1 c. coarsely chopped pecans

Cream the butter and brown sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in bourbon. Combine flour and cocoa; gradually add to creamed mixture, beating until smooth. Stir in chocolate chips. Cover and refrigerate for 1 to 2 hours. Shape into 1 inch balls; roll in pecans. Place 2 inches apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake the cookies at 350 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes or until cookies are set. Cool for 5 minutes before carefully removing from pans to wire racks to cool completely. Store them in an airtight container. Makes 2 dozen.

Source: Taste of Home website

MISSION: Training program for volunteers starts April 1; many trainees needed

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Hope for Kids signed a one-year lease with the facility, but she believes the relationship will last much longer.

The organization will start preparing the building and move during April as it departs its former home at New Hope Community Church on Dee Street, Thomas said.

The move was necessitated because the program outgrew its space, she said. It initially served about 20 children and was designed as a Bible study until volunteers realized the children were hungry, Thomas said.

Now it serves roughly 200 school-aged children from low-income families by providing nutritious meals weekly inside the church.

Thomas said she immediately was impressed with the potential the community center offered Mission Hope for Kids.

"This is like a gold mine and no one's tapped into it," she said.

Freddie Peete, the community center's executive director, said the center was designed as an outlet to assist the area.

"We just feel like (Thomas) is doing good deeds," he said. "Whatever we could to help her out."

The practice of feeding children will continue in the new space as Mission Hope for Kids readies for a May 2 opening and a June open house. Thomas said the outreach program will be open Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from May to July as the organization accustoms itself to its new surroundings and trains volunteers.

Thomas said each volunteer must complete a training program, which starts April 1.

"We'll need a lot of volunteers," she said.

Starting in August, the program plans to be open Monday through Friday.

The outreach program offers homework and reading assistance, recreational and faith-based activities, a meal and clothing and hygiene items to children enrolled in the program.

Thomas said the facility also will be open during the day to offer educational programs and assistance to parents.

Children enrolled in the Kids Café program will have to re-enroll with Mission Hope for Kids. The organization will hold interviews with parents to determine a child's eligibility.

She said the name change is indicative of the plan to leave the umbrella of Kids Café, a national afterschool program under the direction of Feeding America. Instead, Mission Hope for Kids is distinctly local and community driven, she added.

Thomas expects the new agency to receive financial assistance from Feeding America, but it also has developed a child sponsorship initiative in which local residents can support a child in the program.

Thomas said it is noble and charitable to sponsor children in other countries, but sponsoring a local child will afford sponsors the opportunity to see the tangible benefits of their donations.

"It's not just charity," she said. "It's justice."

Growing emotional, Thomas said children deserve a chance to succeed and need someone to offer them that helping hand.

"These kids deserve all our resources," she said.

Thomas said the community can build new parks or new roads and redevelop downtown, but the surest way for improvement is to invest in its youth.

"We're not just pro-life; we're pro-living," he said.

As for the new home, she said it is the ideal location and just needs a little elbow grease.

"This is where it's been all the time, tucked away on Bishop Lane," she said.

Marty Finley can be reached at (270) 505-1762.

West Liberty school reopens 2 weeks after twister

By BRUCE SCHREINER

The Associated Press

WEST LIBERTY — More than two weeks after tornadoes destroyed much of the town March 2. The twisters lifted the roof off the old school and officials decided it was unsafe for students and teachers to return to the building, about 2 miles away, she said.

Teachers and staff have dubbed the new school "The Miracle on the Hill" after workers converted the once empty shell of a building into bright classrooms in about a week.

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school already was in the works when tornadoes destroyed much of the town March 2. The twisters lifted the roof off the old school and officials decided it was unsafe for students and teachers to return to the building, about 2 miles away, she said.

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a family member."

Gov. Steve Beshear toured the school Monday, stopping in every classroom. He also toured the town, about 90 miles east of Lexington, checking on recovery efforts.

Where the downtown area had been, county offices are being temporarily housed in a trailer and a makeshift tent with a plywood interior.

"It's an amazing feat to see what these folks have pulled really out of the rubble of what was West Liberty," Beshear said.

State officials said more than 2,200 houses in 21 counties were damaged in tornadoes and severe weather from Feb. 29 to March 3. More than 650 were destroyed, the state said.

Meth use during pregnancy linked to behavior problems

The first study to look at methamphetamine's potential lasting effects on children whose mothers used it in pregnancy finds these kids at higher risk for behavior problems than other children.

The differences — anxiety, depression, moodiness — weren't huge, but lead researcher Linda LaGasse called them "very worrisome."

Methamphetamine is a stimulant like crack cocaine and earlier research showed meth babies have similarities to so-called "crack babies" — smaller in size and prone to drowsi-

ness and stress.

Whether problems persist in young children of meth users is unknown. The study was published online Monday in *Pediatrics*. — AP

DONATIONS: Church members plan to build house in West Liberty

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tions.

Donations may be brought to New Horizon at 864 W. Rhudes Creek Road in Glendale by noon Wednesday. Checks made out to the church can be mailed to that address.

The Rev. Steven Hill, pastor, said church members are on hand until noon Wednesday when donors call the church at 737-4386 or his phone at 723-4301 to request the church be opened for them to make a drop off.

Church members are willing to pick up donations if necessary, he said.

"It's sort of a rush deal," he said.

Several other churches in Hardin and LaRue counties have collected donations of supplies and money for the effort along with committed volunteers.

They'll combine donations and sort them to ship Friday to Grace Baptist Church by using a church member's tractor trailer.

Grace Baptist's pastor has provided information about what items are needed and will use the church to help give away the donated items.

No furniture or clothing is being accepted at this time. Hill said those items aren't needed at this point,

but church members likely will begin collecting them in the future.

New Horizon members already plan to build a house in West Liberty this summer.

Hill said church members have a history of reaching out through opportunities such as mission trips.

"We're just a mission-minded church," he said. "When something happens, people want to respond. People like to help people."

Faith plays a big role in local residents' willingness to help others, Hill said.

"It makes all the difference in the world," he said. "It compels you to go because we are our brother's keeper."

Hill said donors and

volunteers hope their efforts impart hope to the people of West Liberty, in addition to needed supplies.

"We want your life to be better because of who God is in our lives," he said.

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By KEN MCINTOSH
STAFF WRITER

ICCA will be placing ads in newspapers, radio and running television spots this week asking people to bring in any old silver and gold coins made before 1970. Those that do bring in their coins will be able to speak with collectors one on one and have their coins looked at by a specialist. With the help of these ICCA members, offers will be made to those that have coins made before 1970. Offers will be made based on silver or gold content and the rarity of the coins. All coins made before 1970 will be examined and purchased including gold coins, silver coins, silver dollars, all types of nickels and pennies. Those that decide to sell their coins will be paid on the spot.

If you are like a lot of people, you might have a few old coins or even a coffee can full lying around. If you have ever wondered what they are worth, now might be your chance to find out and even sell them if you choose. They could be worth a lot according to the International Coin Collectors Association, also known as ICCA. Collectors will pay a fortune for some coins and currency for their collections. If they are rare enough, one coin could be worth over \$100,000 according to Eric Helms coin collector and ICCA member. One ultra rare dime, an 1894S Barber, sold for a record \$1.9 million to a collector in July of 2007. While that is an extreme example, many rare and valuable coins are stashed away in dresser drawers or lock boxes around the country. The ICCA and its collector members have organized a traveling event in search of all types of coins and currency. "Even common coins can be worth a significant amount due to the high price of silver and gold," says Helms. Washington quarters and Roosevelt dimes and worth many times their face value. Recent silver markets have driven the price up on even common coins made of silver. Helms explains, "All half dollars, quarter and dimes made before 1970 contain 90% silver and are sought after any time silver prices rise. Right now it's a sellers market."

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The rarest coins these collectors are looking for include \$20, \$10, \$5 and \$2 1/2 gold coins and any coin made before 1850. These coins always bring big premiums according to the ICCA. Silver dollars are also very sought after nowadays.

Other types of items the ICCA will be purchasing during this event include U.S. currency, gold bullion, investment gold, silver bars, silver rounds, proof sets, etc. Even foreign coins are sought after and will be purchased.

Also, at this event anyone can sell their gold jewelry, dental gold or anything made of gold on the spot. Bring anything you think might be gold and the collectors will examine, test and price it for free. If you decide to sell you will be paid on the spot – it has been an unknown fact that coin dealers have always paid more for jewelry and scrap gold than other jewelers and pawn brokers.

So, whether you have one coin you think might be valuable or a large collection you recently inherited, you can talk to these collectors for free and if your lucky you may have a rarity worth thousands. Either way, there is nothing to lose and it sounds like fun!

For more information on this event visit the ICCA website at www.internationalcoincollectors.com.



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Mets owners settle in Madoff-related case

Settlement worth as much as \$162 million

By LAWRENCE NEUMEISTER
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The New York Mets owners agreed to pay up to \$162 million in a settlement announced Monday with the trustee for Bernard Madoff's fraud victims, a deal that left open the possibility they might pay much less and caused two principal team owners to emerge smiling from the courthouse.

"Stick with us," Mets chief executive and co-owner Fred Wilpon said outside court. "Now I guess I can smile. ... Maybe I can take a day off."

The agreement was announced by Judge Jed Rakoff just as a civil trial was set to begin in U.S. District Court in Manhattan to determine if the team's owners might owe as much as \$386 million because they were among those who made significantly more than their original investment in Madoff's investment company.

The deal left Wilpon

and team President Saul Katz, who together personally promised to pay \$29 million, speaking confidently of the team's future. Katz said outside the courthouse that the Mets were on secure financial footing. "Always was," he said.

The settlement gives the team breathing room because it does not require any money to be paid for at least three years. It also creates the possibility that the owners could owe nothing if they can secure \$162 million of the \$178 million they are seeking in claims of their own against the Madoff estate.

"In a sense, we're now partners," David J. Sheehan, the lawyer for trustee Irving Picard, said outside court as he described how the Mets owners could benefit from the trustee's recovery efforts.

He also said the amount the team owners could afford to pay was "one of the many factors" that were considered as the two sides negotiated a deal in talks that gained momentum last week and reached a conclusion on Friday.

The formal agreement read aloud by Rakoff included a statement by the trustee "that he has reviewed the evidence and will no longer pursue the

willful blindness claim against the defendants."

The trial was set to showcase what the trustee said was a conscious decision by the Mets owners to ignore warnings that Madoff was operating a multibillion-dollar fraud over several decades, costing thousands of investors about \$20 billion.

Outside court, Wilpon and Katz seemed relieved that they were freed from the accusation. They have always insisted they knew nothing of Madoff's fraud.

"We are not willfully blind," Wilpon said. "We never was. We acted in good faith."

Katz called litigation "negative energy."

"We are very pleased to have this behind us," he said. "We have done everything in good faith. The settlement itself bears that out."

Picard originally sought \$1 billion from the owners, putting a dark cloud over the team that led to an effort over the past year to raise money through new investors. The club also has slashed payroll as its revenue has suffered with declining attendance and product sales as the team has struggled on the field.

Wilpon declined to discuss how the settlement might affect the club.

U.S. homebuilder outlook unchanged near 4-year high

By DEREK KRAVITZ
AP Real Estate Writer

WASHINGTON — Homebuilders' feelings about the current housing market haven't changed from February. But many are growing more optimistic that sales could pick up in the coming months.

The National Association of Home Builders/Wells Fargo said Monday that its builder sentiment index stayed at 28, the highest level since June 2007. The flat reading followed five straight increases.

Builders expressed more confidence in sales over the next six months. A separate gauge measuring that outlook rose in March for the sixth straight month,

from 34 to 36.

Even with the brighter outlook, the industry has a long way to go. Any reading below 50 indicates negative sentiment about the housing market. The index hasn't reached 50 since April 2006, the peak of the housing boom.

A key reason homebuilders are more optimistic is that they have seen more people express interest in buying a home. And growing interest has occurred alongside other improvements that suggest the troubled housing market could pick up after four weak years.

Sales of previously occupied homes rose in January to its highest level since May 2010. Mortgage rates have never been lower. And home construction has picked up.

MACHINES: Complete list estimated at \$760,000; city could acquire items cheaper

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equipment needed to properly maintain, trim and fertilize sports fields and differ from normal mowing equipment.

One contract included 12 pieces of equipment that totaled more than \$400,000.

Breitner said most of the equipment purchases will be at the state contract price, but some smaller items can be open to bids.

Mayor Tim Walker said the equipment is being purchased by the city, but the money bonded for the park's construction will cover the cost, as outlined in an operations agreement between the city and the Elizabethtown Tourism & Convention Bureau.

Breitner said a complete list of equipment needs has been estimated to cost around \$760,000, but officials say the city may be able to purchase the equipment at a cheaper price.

"It definitely will not exceed that number," Breitner said.

The council also approved a proposal from Glenns Commercial Service LLC for a walk-in freezer for the park at \$18,610 and purchased a point-of-sale system for concession operations from Micros at a cost of \$51,512.21. The system will be used for transactions but can assist in inventory, Breitner has said.

The council also approved a change order not to exceed \$15,000 with Kenney Outdoor Solutions for irrigation materials. The irrigation work originally was awarded at roughly \$133,000

Marty Finley can be reached at (270) 505-1762.

IN OTHER NEWS

■ Elizabethtown purchased property at 69 Public Square in downtown for \$25,000 from a master commissioner's sale. The property is part of the city's efforts to revitalize downtown, but Mayor Tim Walker said a use for the building has not been identified.

"Stay tuned," he said.

City Attorney D. Dee Shaw said the property was appraised at about \$173,000. However, she advised against making improvements to the property for the first year because the previous owner maintains a right of redemption, which means he can reclaim the property if an outstanding debt on the property is paid within a year.

■ The council approved a change order of \$949,324 for work at the wastewater treatment plant to modify and update existing clarifiers, which are settling tanks designed to separate solids, said Executive Assistant Charlie Bryant. The city also approved an amendment to the engineering agreement with HDR Engineers for design and construction services concerning the modifications. The cost of that is not to exceed \$42,000.

■ Bill Swope and Bob Hicks approached the council regarding the events coordinator position and events partnership with the Elizabethtown Tourism and Convention Bureau. Swope asked the council to consider Rik Hawkins for the coordinator position because of his familiarity with many of the events and his enthusiasm and energy. Hicks, who volunteers with Cruisin' the Heartland, encouraged the city to begin fundraising for the events. Both men also argued the salary for the position, which has been estimated at around \$38,000, is too low. The city had narrowed its candidates to two last week but has yet to announce a hire.

LIQUOR: Radcliff cannot levy surcharge on sales

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"They say, 'We are so glad you're open. We don't have to drive to Vine Grove any more,'" Mike Patel said.

Because no package sales were available in Hardin County, many northern Hardin County residents interested in adult beverages drove across the county line at Vine Grove to package stores and bars just inside Meade County.

Residents with purchase privileges could obtain alcohol at Fort Knox.

Voters approved alcohol sales last year in Elizabethtown, Radcliff and Vine Grove. Beer licenses began being issued in mid-December. While the state designated the package store licenses in February, many stores are being remodeled or making improvements necessary to complete their license requirements.

For example, state law requires groceries selling hard liquor have separate entrances and no public access between the food

sections and the alcohol.

Kroger reportedly will operate its two liquor outlets in Elizabethtown in separate buildings in the shopping centers. E.W. James & Sons on St. John Road in Elizabethtown will remodel to accommodate the entrance requirement.

Rite Aid became Elizabethtown's first liquor outlet three weeks ago. While no sales figures were available locally, store manager Helene Goodman said it has created "lots of traffic" for the store.

"Most of them are very excited," Goodman said.

Rite Aid is revising the store's floor plan this week to reflect its new merchandise mix.

Elizabethtown also has issued licenses to Walgreen's near Towne Mall and its Mulberry Street location. Also, a business called E'town Liquors on North Mulberry acquired its final papers.

In Radcliff, Patel's outlet picked up new competition this week with the opening of Moe's Liquors in a gold-colored former convenience store on South Dixie Boulevard at Black Jack Road.

City Clerk Ashley Russo, Radcliff's beverage control officer, said businesses eligible for licenses

are completing their building renovations or acquiring shelving and products before paying their final license fees.

Radcliff received nine package store licenses compared to two in Vine Grove and 12 in Elizabethtown. Based on population, each city has a quota established by state officials.

As a second-class city, Radcliff's license fee is its only immediate revenue from liquor outlets. Elizabethtown and Vine Grove, as fourth-class cities, also can collect a 5 percent surcharge on sales.

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Indianapolis Colts quarterback Peyton Manning greets Denver Broncos quarterback Tim Tebow after a game in Denver on Sept. 26, 2010. Manning is negotiating to join the Broncos, ESPN reported Monday. GREG TROTT/The Associated Press

Rocky Mountain High

Peyton Manning chooses Broncos, deal pending

By ARNIE STAPLETON
AP Pro Football Writer

DENVER — The Denver Broncos got their Man. Make that Peyton Manning.

Pending final contract negotiations, Manning will join John Elway's Broncos with hopes of winning another Super Bowl.

So much for Tebowmania.

Still to be decided is what happens to last season's quarterback sensation, Tim Tebow.

The Broncos and Manning agent Tom Condon spent Monday working out parameters of a deal expected to be worth about \$95 million over five years after the NFL's only four-time MVP called Elway, the Broncos'

revered QB-turned-executive, and told him he had decided to come to Denver.

Tennessee Titans owner Bud Adams also said Manning let him know that he had picked the Broncos. Adams released a statement Monday confirming the Titans were out of the running and later said to *The Tennessean*: "He called me himself and told me he wasn't coming, that he made his mind up to go with Denver."

Besides the Titans, the San Francisco 49ers had been a finalist in the chase for Manning, who turns 36 on Saturday and missed all of 2011 because of multiple neck surgeries.

ESPN first reported the record-set-

ting quarterback instructed his agent to negotiate the details of a deal with the Broncos, less than two weeks after the Indianapolis Colts released him rather than pay a \$28 million bonus.

"I think it's a great place for him," Broncos defensive end Robert Ayers said outside the Broncos' complex. "I don't think he made a bad decision. I think he made a great decision. Hopefully we can prove him right and hopefully we can win a lot of games here."

Despite being sidelined all of last season, Manning's success in the past — the Colts averaged a 12-4 record from 2001-10 — made him by far this offseason's top potential signing and perhaps the most desired free agent ever.

Turn to MANNING, B5

Prohm, Canaan expect to return to Murray State

By COLIN FLY
AP Sports Writer

LOUISVILLE — Murray State coach Steve Prohm smiled wide when asked about his future. He said he's staying close to the school that's stuck by him.

"I'll be back at Murray," Prohm said. "I love Murray. I want to be at Murray. We've signed a great class. We've got great kids coming back. We've got a great future here."

Prohm along with point guard Isaiah Canaan took the Racers to the greatest heights ever for the program in the southwestern

corner of Kentucky with a top 10 ranking and an NCAA Tournament victory.

"If they're all like this," Prohm said. "It'll be a heck of a career."

If only this season ended a little later.

Like the group's 2010 appearance, Murray State failed to reach the regional semifinals after losing a five-point lead over the final 7:43 in a 63-52 loss to Marquette on Saturday. After the game, the Racers departed for spring break to think about what could've been.

"Any time you go 31-2,

Turn to MURRAY, B4



Murray State head coach Steve Prohm reacts in the second half of their NCAA third-round tournament game Saturday in Louisville. Marquette beat Murray State, 62-53. DAVE MARTIN/The Associated Press

No. 2 seed Maryland women rally to knock off Louisville, 72-68

By DAVID GINSBURG
AP Sports Writer

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Laurin Mincy and Tianna Hawkins provided Maryland with the push it needed to avoid another agonizing exit from the NCAA Women's Tournament.

Mincy scored 24 points, Hawkins had 15 points and 14 rebounds, and the Terrapins

squeezed past Louisville, 72-68 on Monday to advance to the round of 16.

On a night in which Maryland star Alyssa Thomas finished with six points on 3-for-10 shooting, Mincy and Hawkins picked up the slack. Hawkins finished one point short of matching her career high, and Hawkins scored six points in the Terrapins' game-ending 13-4 run.

Maryland (30-4) will face the winner of Monday night's late game between defending champion Texas A&M and Arkansas.

The Terrapins charge into Sunday's Raleigh Regional semifinal riding a nine-game winning streak. The Atlantic Coast Conference champions are 19-7 in the NCAA Tournament under Brenda Frese, whose latest win comes at the expense of former

assistant Jeff Walz, now head coach at Louisville.

Down 64-59, Maryland got a baseline jumper from Hawkins and five straight free throws from three players to go up 66-64. Hawkins then collected the rebound of a missed foul shot and made a layup for a 68-64 lead.

Louisville closed to 71-68 and had one last chance to tie in the closing seconds, but Mincy al-

tered a 3-point try by Becky Burke that fell short.

It was a redemptive win for the Terps, who were upset last season in the second round by Georgetown and eliminated by Walz and the Cardinals in 2009.

Shoni Schimmel scored 22 and Shawnta Dyer had 17 for Louisville (23-10).

North edges Fern Creek

Bruins open season with 8-2 win

The News-Enterprise

Senior Antonio Simmons hit a walkoff RBI double in the bottom of the eighth inning as host North Hardin knocked off Louisville Fern Creek, 4-3 on Monday.

Simmons finished 2-for-3 with two doubles and two RBIs for North Hardin, which won its second straight to start the season.

Senior Brady Patterson hit a solo home run in the bottom of the first, but Fern Creek (1-1) took a 2-1 lead in the third. The Trojans regained the lead in the bottom half, but the Tigers tied it in the seventh.

Junior Aaron Jones got the win with one inning of relief.

NORTH HARDIN 4, LOUISVILLE FERN CREEK 3

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Fern Creek	002	000	10		3	6	1
North Hardin	102	000	01		4	7	3

Underwood, Robinson (8) and Bibb. Lance Baker, Tori Cunningham (5), Aaron Jones (8) and Andrew Boyles. **WP:** Jones (1-0). **LP:** Robinson. **2B:** Antonio Simmons (NH) 2. Flanders (FC). **HR:** Brady Patterson (NH).
UP NEXT: North Hardin plays at Bardstown Bethlehem at 5:30 p.m. today.

NO. 2 CENTRAL HARDIN 8, LOUISVILLE SOUTHERN 2.

Junior Drew Harrington struck out seven in four innings and helped himself at the plate with a double, single and three RBIs as the Bruins (1-0) knocked off Southern.

Junior Troy Squires had two singles and three runs, while junior Alex Crowder had a double, single and a run.

Coach Todd Thompson, who's in his 10th year at Central Hardin, won his 200th game.

CENTRAL HARDIN 8, SOUTHERN 2

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Central Hardin	220	102	1		8	8	1
Southern	000	001	1		2	4	2

Drew Harrington, Derek Westerfield (5), Cameron Wright (7) and Gabe Hogan, Blake Hall, Chris Fisher (6) and Zach Williams. **WP:** Harrington (1-0). **LP:** Hall. **2B:** Cannon Ray (CH), Harrington (CH), Alex Crowder (CH).
UP NEXT: Central Hardin hosts Glasgow at 5:30 p.m. today.

JOHN HARDIN 3, CAMPBELLVILLE 1.

Sophomore Dale Gumm hit a two-out, two-run triple in the top of the fifth to break open a 1-1 tie to lift the visiting Bulldogs (3-1) over the Eagles.

Senior Sam Brashear had an RBI double and also got the win on the mound. Brashear (2-0) struck out seven and walked four in the complete-game effort. He allowed four hits and one unearned run.

Turn to BULLDOGS, B2

Lady Bulldogs fall to No. 25 Assumption

The News-Enterprise

The John Hardin Lady Bulldogs were shut out for the second straight game as they fell to No. 25 Louisville Assumption, 10-0 on Monday.

John Hardin (0-3) has been outscored, 18-0 in its last two games.

No statistics were available.

UP NEXT: John Hardin hosts LaRue County at 5:30 p.m. Thursday.

BULLITT EAST 10, NORTH HARDIN 0 (5 INNINGS).

Sophomore Kayla Raymer homered as the visiting Lady Chargers blanked the Trojans (0-1).

North Hardin was held to one hit — a single by junior Leah Shartzter in the bottom of the fifth.

Sophomore Sarah Nichols took the loss.

BULLITT EAST 10, NORTH HARDIN 0

					R	H	E
Bullitt East	512	20			10	8	1
North Hardin	000	00			0	1	3

Unknown and Unknown, Sarah Nichols, Bailey Blair (2) and Blair, Shelby Peace (2). **WP:** Unknown. **LP:** Nichols (0-1). **2B:** Hanna (BE). **HR:** Raymer (BE).
UP NEXT: North Hardin hosts Meade County at 5:30 p.m. today.

LOUISVILLE HOLY CROSS 2, LARUE COUNTY 0.

The host Lady Cougars held the Lady Hawks (1-1) to three hits as they won their third straight.

Senior Brittany Enlow went 2-for-3, while junior Kayla Skaggs was 1-for-3.

Sophomore Brigitte Skaggs (0-1) took the loss.

HOLY CROSS 2, LARUE COUNTY 0

					R	H	E
LaRue County	000	000	0		0	3	2
Holy Cross	200	000	x		2	5	0

Brigitte Skaggs and Sierra Mullins. Not available. **WP:** Unknown. **LP:** Skaggs (0-1).
UP NEXT: LaRue County hosts Bullitt East at 5:30 p.m. today.

BRIEFLY

FOOTBALL

Missouri's Franklin to undergo shoulder surgery Friday

COLUMBIA, Mo. — Missouri quarterback James Franklin will undergo surgery on his right shoulder and miss the rest of spring practice, but he's expected to be ready for the start of next season.

The junior threw for 2,865 yards and 21 touchdowns and ran for 981 yards and 15 touchdowns as a first-year starter in 2011. Franklin was injured last Tuesday during practice when he jumped on a fumble at the end of a play and a defender landed on his outstretched throwing arm.

The surgery is set for Friday and a timetable for Franklin's return will be determined following the procedure. The school had initially hoped Franklin would heal without surgery, but after further evaluation it was decided that repairing the damage would be in his best interest long term.

BASKETBALL

Barbee: Auburn's Kouassi, Morena transferring

AUBURN, Ala. — Center Willy Kouassi and forward Bernard Morena are leaving Auburn after one season.

Tigers coach Tony Barbee said Monday that both freshmen are transferring. The 6-foot-10 Kouassi averaged 1.6 points, 2.6 rebounds and 0.6 blocks in 25 games this season. The 6-8 Morena missed the season with injuries.

Harkless leaving St. John's early for NBA draft

NEW YORK — Moe Harkless said one of the benefits of deciding to leave St. John's after his freshman season and declare for early entry to the NBA draft was he wouldn't have to answer any more questions.

"I was hearing people yelling at me to stay," he said Monday at his news conference at Madison Square Garden when he was interrupted.

"One Moe year. One Moe year. You heard me? That was me hiding behind the bush on campus yelling that," Red Storm coach Steve Lavin said, finally getting a stoic Harkless to break into a smile.

Harkless, the lynchpin of Lavin's first recruiting class at St. John's, announced his decision after his only season with the Red Storm (13-19) that saw him win Big East Rookie of the Year by averaging 15.5 points and 8.6 rebounds, which put him sixth and second, respectively, among freshmen nationally.

The Associated Press

AROUND THE AREA

TODAY

Event	Time	Station
PREP BASEBALL		
Meade County at Louisville Fairdale	5 p.m.	
Glasgow at Central Hardin	5:30 p.m.	
LaRue County at Nelson County	5:30 p.m.	
Louisville Evangel at Fort Knox	5:30 p.m.	
North Hardin at Bardstown Bethlehem	5:30 p.m.	
Marion County at John Hardin	6 p.m.	
PREP SOFTBALL		
Bullitt East at LaRue County	5:30 p.m.	
Meade County at North Hardin	5:30 p.m.	
Taylor County at Elizabethtown	6 p.m.	
Owensboro Catholic at Central Hardin	6:30 p.m.	
PREP TENNIS		
Elizabethtown at Central Hardin	4 p.m.	
Bardstown Bethlehem at LaRue County	4:30 p.m.	
Fort Knox at Meade County	5 p.m.	
John Hardin at Nelson County	5 p.m.	
PREP TRACK & FIELD		
Shelby County All Comers		
Fort Knox	TBA	

WEDNESDAY

Event	Time	Station
PREP BASEBALL		
LaRue County at Elizabethtown	5:30 p.m.	
PREP SOFTBALL		
Fort Knox at Louisville Collegiate	5:30 p.m.	
PREP TENNIS		
Elizabethtown at Bowling Green	6 p.m.	

ON THE AIR

TODAY

Event	Time	Station
BASEBALL		
MLB Spring Training		
Braves vs. Tigers	1 p.m.	ESPN
Brewers vs. Dodgers	4 p.m.	MLB
Blue Jays vs. Red Sox	7 p.m.	MLB
College		
Georgia Tech at Georgia	7 p.m.	CSS
BASKETBALL		
Men's College: NIT Quarterfinals		
Teams TBD	7 p.m.	ESPN
Teams TBD	9 p.m.	ESPN
Women's College: NCAA Tournament Second Round		
Teams TBD	7 p.m.	ESPN2
Teams TBD	9:30 p.m.	ESPN2
GOLF		
Tavistock Cup at Orlando, Fla.		
Final Round	Noon	TGC
HOCKEY		
NHL		
Coyotes at Stars	8 p.m.	NBC Sports
Sharks at Kings	10:30 p.m.	NBC Sports

WEDNESDAY

Event	Time	Station
BASEBALL		
MLB Spring Training		
Yankees vs. Rays	1 p.m.	ESPN
Giants vs. Indians	4 p.m.	MLB
College		
Wofford at South Carolina	7 p.m.	FSN South
BASKETBALL		
Men's College: NIT Quarterfinals		
Teams TBD	7 p.m.	ESPN2
Teams TBD	9 p.m.	ESPN2
Women's College: NCAA Division II Tournament Semifinals		
Teams TBD	7 p.m.	CBS Sports
Teams TBD	9:30 p.m.	CBS Sports/CSS
NBA		
Knicks at 76ers	7 p.m.	ESPN
Lakers at Mavericks	9:30 p.m.	ESPN
HOCKEY		
NHL		
Red Wings at Rangers	7:30 p.m.	NBC Sports
College		
Softball		
Tennessee at Alabama	5 p.m.	CSS
Tennessee at Alabama	7:30 p.m.	CSS

LOTTERIES

KENTUCKY	Pick 4: 2-9-8-4
Monday Midday	Cash Ball: 6-7-23-26, Cash Ball: 11
Pick 3: 5-7-8	Cash Ball Kicker: 3-7-8-4-1
Pick 4: 6-7-8-4	Decade's of Dollar\$: 20-25-32-34-36-40
Monday Evening	5 Card Cash: QC-KC-AC-JH-CS
Pick 3: 6-2-0	

SCOREBOARD

TENNIS

BOYS' PREP

MONDAY'S MATCHES

LARUE COUNTY 5, FORT KNOX 0

Results from Monday's match in Hodgenville:

Singles

Ryan Abell (LC) def. Dakota Stokes (FK), 6-0, 6-0
Keiren Bowen (LC) def. Mark Rice (FK), 6-2, 6-0
Kyler Hart (LC) def. Kentrez Pope (FK) 6-0, 6-0

Doubles

Zachary Lee/Trevor Sanders (LC) def. John Difelice/Steve Trayler (FK), 6-1, 6-0
Tyler Skaggs/Lucas Pepper (LC) def. Mason Roberts/Taylor Sharp (FK), 6-3, 6-3

MEADE COUNTY 4, NORTH HARDIN 1

Results from Monday's match in Brandenburg:

Singles

Cody Hughes (NH) def. Andrew Butler (MC), 6-1, 6-0
Paige Wilson (MC) def. Braden Proffitt (NH), 6-1, 6-4

Doubles

Dalton Morgan/Matthew Hewlett (MC) def. Justin Cardenas/Timmy Ford (NH), 6-3, 7-5
Ethan Wright/Daniel Orr (MC) def. Branson Marcus/Andrew Shufelt (NH), 6-1, 6-0
Unknown/Unknown (MC) won by forfeit

GIRLS' PREP

MONDAY'S MATCHES

LARUE COUNTY 5, FORT KNOX 0

Results from Monday's match in Hodgenville:

Singles

Michelle Seymour (LC) def. Maria Rogers (FK), 6-0, 6-0
Nancy Howell (LC) def. Madeline DeAmaral (FK), 6-0, 6-0

Doubles

Amelia Miller/Paige Nalley (LC) def. Ivonne Schneider/Kendall Shilling (FK) 6-0, 6-1
Haylee Best/Madison Lee (LC) def. Briana Quichocho/Nadine Stacey (FK), 6-1, 6-0
Amanda Adyani/Caitlin Lewis (LC) def. Haven Noble/Whitney Watson (FK), 6-1, 6-0

Singles Exhibitions

Krista Whitaker (FK) def. Gracyn Snodgrass (LC), 8-2

Doubles Exhibitions

Ripley Lucas/Morgan Durham (LC) def. Phylicia Gill/Kaylaah Capindp (FK), 8-5

MEADE COUNTY 4, NORTH HARDIN 1

Results from Monday's match in Brandenburg:

Singles

Jenna Mullen (MC) def. Emily Hellingner (NH), 6-0, 6-0
Amanda Patterson (NH) def. Whitney Shelton (MC), 2-6, 7-5, 7-6 (7-3)
Annie DeVries (MC) def. Hailey Hoernke (NH), 6-2, 6-2

Doubles

Mallory Brown/Kayla Keith (MC) def. Allie Sutton/Hannah Lowman (NH), 6-0, 6-2
Brenna Linley/Ellie DeVries (MC) def. Hayley Thurman/Mary Kate Dennis (NH), 7-5, 6-4

Doubles Exhibitions

Brown/E. DeVries def. Addison Sutton/Ashley Becker (NH), 6-1

Jenny Gerkins/Katie Phelps (MC) def. Hannah Willis/Katie McManaway-Daily (NH), 6-4

BASEBALL

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE	W	L	Pct
Detroit	12	2	.857
Oakland	14	4	.778
Toronto	13	4	.765
Boston	9	5	.643
Seattle	11	7	.611
Minnesota	11	8	.579
Kansas City	9	7	.563
Los Angeles	9	7	.563
New York	8	9	.471
Baltimore	6	7	.462
Cleveland	5	10	.333
Chicago	5	11	.313
Tampa Bay	4	10	.286
Texas	4	12	.250
NATIONAL LEAGUE	W	L	Pct
San Francisco	11	5	.688
Los Angeles	8	5	.615
St. Louis	8	6	.571
Colorado	9	7	.563
Houston	9	7	.563
San Diego	9	8	.529
Miami	7	7	.500
Philadelphia	8	9	.471
Cincinnati	8	10	.444
Milwaukee	7	9	.438
Chicago	8	11	.421
Pittsburgh	6	9	.400
Arizona	7	11	.389
Washington	5	8	.385
Atlanta	5	12	.294
New York	3	11	.214

NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings; games against non-major league teams do not.

Sunday's Games

Boston 8, Tampa Bay 4
Houston 9, N.Y. Mets 5
Toronto 10, Philadelphia 2
Detroit 11, Washington 7
Minnesota 10, Pittsburgh 0
St. Louis 4, Miami 2

Atlanta 2, Baltimore (ss) 2, tie, 10 innings
Chicago Cubs (ss) 3, Texas (ss) 2
L.A. Dodgers 1, L.A. Angels 1, tie, 6 innings
Colorado (ss) vs. San Diego (ss) at Tucson, Ariz., ppd., Rain
Colorado (ss) vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., ccd., Rain
Kansas City 6, Cleveland 4
Arizona (ss) 8, Cincinnati 7
San Diego (ss) 5, San Francisco 1
Texas (ss) vs. Milwaukee at Phoenix, Ariz., ccd., Rain
Chicago White Sox 7, Chicago Cubs (ss) 5, 10 innings
Oakland 11, Arizona (ss) 2
Baltimore (ss) 6, N.Y. Yankees 3

Monday's Games

St. Louis 4, Atlanta 3
Houston 7, Miami 4
Philadelphia 4, Detroit 3
Minnesota 8, Boston 4
Chicago Cubs 12, Seattle 7
Cleveland 4, L.A. Dodgers 3
Oakland 6, Arizona 5
Cincinnati 1, Chicago White Sox 0
Milwaukee 5, Texas 3
Colorado 4, L.A. Angels 3

Tuesday's Games

Atlanta vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
St. Louis vs. Houston at Kissimmee, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay vs. Miami at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Philadelphia vs. Baltimore at Sarasota, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
Seattle vs. Cincinnati at Goodyear, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
Milwaukee vs. L.A. Dodgers at Glendale, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (ss) vs. Oakland at Phoenix, 4:05 p.m.
Texas vs. Chicago Cubs (ss) at Mesa, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
San Francisco vs. Arizona at Scottsdale, Ariz., 4:10 p.m.
Washington vs. N.Y. Mets at Port St. Lucie, Fla., 6:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 7:05 p.m.
Toronto vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 7:05 p.m.
Colorado vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz., 10:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

N.Y. Mets vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Toronto vs. Baltimore at Sarasota, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees vs. Tampa Bay at Port Charlotte, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Atlanta vs. Washington at Viera, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Boston vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Minnesota vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
San Francisco vs. Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
San Diego vs. L.A. Dodgers at Glendale, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
Oakland vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
Milwaukee vs. Arizona at Scottsdale, Ariz., 4:10 p.m.

BASKETBALL

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	26	20	.565	—
Boston	24	21	.533	1½
New York	21	24	.467	4½
Toronto	15	30	.333	10½
New Jersey	15	32	.319	11½
Southeast Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	33	11	.750	—
Orlando	29	17	.630	5
Atlanta	26	20	.565	8
Washington	10	34	.227	23
Charlotte	7	37	.159	26
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	37	10	.787	—
Indiana	25	18	.581	10
Milwaukee	20	24	.455	15½
Cleveland	17	26	.395	18
Detroit	16	29	.356	20

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Southwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	29	14	.674	—
Memphis	25	18	.581	4
Dallas	26	20	.565	4½
Houston	24	22	.522	6½
New Orleans	11	34	.244	19
Northwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	34	11	.756	—
Denver	25	20	.556	9
Utah	23	22	.511	11
Minnesota	22	24	.478	12½
Portland	21	24	.467	13
Pacific Division	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	28	17	.622	—
L.A. Clippers	26	18	.591	1½
Phoenix	23	22	.511	5
Golden State	18	24	.429	8½
Sacramento	16	29	.356	12

Sunday's Games

Atlanta 103, Cleveland 87
L.A. Clippers 87, Detroit 83, OT
Sacramento 115, Minnesota 99
Memphis 97, Washington 92
Miami 91, Orlando 81
Phoenix 99, Houston 86
Utah 103, L.A. Lakers 99

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Oklahoma City 111, Portland 95

Monday's Games

Philadelphia 105, Charlotte 80
Boston 79, Atlanta 76
Cleveland 105, New Jersey 100
Chicago at Orlando, (n)
Minnesota at Golden State, (n)
Dallas at Denver, (n)

Tuesday's Games

L.A. Clippers at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Phoenix at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at New York, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Houston, 8 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Utah, 9 p.m.
Memphis at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Milwaukee at Portland, 10 p.m.

COLLEGE

NATIONAL INVITATION TOURNAMENT GLANCE

Second Round

Friday, March 16

Washington 76, Northwestern 55
Saturday, March 17
UMass 77, Seton Hall 67

Sunday, March 18

Drexel 65, Northern Iowa 63
Nevada 75, Bucknell 67
Oregon 108, Iowa 97

Monday, March 19

Middle Tennessee 71, Tennessee 64
Minnesota 78, Miami 60
Stanford (22-11) vs. Illinois State (21-13), 11:30 p.m.

Quarterfinals

Tuesday, March 20

UMass (23-10) at Drexel (29-6), 7 p.m.
Oregon (24-9) at Washington (23-10), 9 p.m.

Wednesday, March 21

Middle Tennessee (27-6) vs. Minnesota (21-14), 7:30 p.m.
Nevada (28-6) vs. Stanford-Illinois State winner, 9 p.m.

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Atlantic Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-N.Y. Rangers	72	45	20	7	97	199	160
Pittsburgh	71	44	21	6	94	231	180
Philadelphia	72	42	22	8	92	231	204
New Jersey	73	41	27	5	87	200	191
N.Y. Islanders	72	29	32	11	69	169	216
Northeast Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	72	42	27	3	87	236	178
Ottawa	73	37	26	10	84	221	213
Buffalo	73	34	29	10	78	187	207
Toronto	73	32	33	8	72	208	227
Montreal	73	28	32	13	69	191	203
Southeast Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	71	35	23	13	83	180	197
Washington	73	37	30	6	80	198	208
Winnipeg	72	34	30	8	76	192	203
Carolina	73	29	29	15	73	194	217
Tampa Bay	72	32	33	7	71	202	247

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HORSE RACING

Baffert's Secret Circle moves up Top 10 Derby list

By **RICHARD ROSEN-BLATT**
AP Sports Writer

Bob Baffert's Arkansas Shuttle keeps rolling, likely carrying a couple of his 3-year-old colts to the Kentucky Derby in less than seven weeks.

The Hall of Fame trainer had another successful weekend at Oaklawn Park in Hot Springs, Ark., with Secret Circle winning the \$500,000 Rebel Stakes by three-quarters of a length over fast-closing Optimizer on Saturday.

The bay colt will return to California this week but is scheduled to be shuttled back for the \$1 million Arkansas Derby on April 7 and shoot for an Oaklawn sweep. Secret Circle won the second division of the Southwest Stakes last month, and Baffert's Castaway won the first division.

Baffert has won the Rebel three years in a row — Lookin At Lucky won in 2010 and The Factor won last year — and improved his record at Oaklawn to an amazing 13 wins from 21 starts. In the last three years, his horses have won 10-of-13 starts.

With Secret Circle's fifth win in six starts, the colt moves up to No. 4 on

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS RUN TO THE ROSES TOP 10 LIST

- 1. Union Rags (Michael Matz, trainer; Julien Leparoux, jockey):** Fountain of Youth (G2) winner worked 5 furlongs in 1:04 1/5 under Leparoux at Palm Meadows on Saturday. ... "Just a maintenance work," says Matz. ... Next start: Florida Derby (G1), Gulfstream, March 31. ... Derby future wager odds: 4-1.
 - 2. Hansen (Mike Maker, Ramon Dominguez):** Gotham (G3) winner worked 4 furlongs in 50 2/5 seconds at Churchill Downs trackside training center on Sunday. ... Next start: Wood Memorial (G1), Aqueduct, April 7. ... Odds: 9-1.
 - 3. El Padrino (Todd Pletcher, Javier Castellano):** Risen Star (G2) winner among Pletcher's many Derby hopefuls. ... Colt has won both starts in 2012. ... Next start: Florida Derby. ... Odds: 12-1.
 - 4. Secret Circle (Bob Baffert, Rafael Bejarano):** Showed versatility by stalking leaders before Rebel (G2) win. ... Has won 5 of 6 races, with only loss by a half-length in the Sham (G3). ... Next start: Arkansas Derby, Oaklawn, April 7. ... Odds: 37-1.
 - 5. Gemologist (Pletcher, Castellano):** Won long-awaited 3-year-old debut by seven lengths in an allowance race at Gulfstream on Friday. ... Improve to 4 of 4. ... Next start: Wood Memorial. ... Odds: 23-1.
 - 6. Creative Cause (Mike Harrington, Joel Rosario):** San Felipe (G2) winner may end up as top West Coast contender for Derby. ... Next start: Santa Anita Derby (G1), Santa Anita, April 7. ... Odds: 18-1.
 - 7. Alpha (Kiaran McLaughlin, Dominguez):** Withers (G3) winner worked 5 furlongs in 1:01.20 Saturday at Palm Meadows. Final Derby prep still not definite, but. ... Next start: Florida Derby. ... Odds: 18-1.
 - 8. Bodemeister (Baffert, Bejarano):** Named for Baffert's youngest son, Bode. ... A game second in San Felipe in third career start. ... Next start: Santa Anita Derby. ... Odds: 29-1.
 - 9. Howe Great (Graham Motion, John Velazquez):** Palm Beach (G3) winner is turf tested, but may wait until Derby for his test on dirt. ... Team Valor's Barry Irwin took a similar route with 2011 Derby winner Animal Kingdom. ... Next start: Blue Grass (G1), Keeneland, April 14. ... Odds: 3-1 (mutuel field).
 - 10. Mark Valeski (Larry Jones, Rosie Napravnik):** Risen Star runner-up working toward final Derby prep at home base. ... Next start: Louisiana Derby (G1), Fair Grounds, April 1. ... Odds: 38-1.
- Keep an eye on:** Castaway, I'll Have Another, My Adonis, Optimizer, Take Charge Indy.

the latest *Associated Press* Run to the Roses Top 10 list of Derby contenders. Union Rags, Hansen and El Padrino remain 1-2-3 as they get ready for their final preps before the Derby on May 5.

"He's an unassuming horse when you watch him train, but he always shows up on the big days," three-

time Derby winner Baffert said of Secret Circle.

He added that the colt showed him a new dimension by stalking the leaders instead of going straight for the lead.

"The win was exciting and the way he did it was promising," Baffert said. "It was a good schooling for him and I think he

should get a lot out of it, although my guys tell me he was hardly blowing when he got back."

Bodemeister, second in the San Felipe Stakes on March 10 and headed next to the Santa Anita Derby on April 7, is No. 8 and gives Baffert a second horse in the AP Top 10. Castaway is set to run this weekend in the Sunland Derby.

Also impressing last week was Gemologist, trainer Todd Pletcher's unbeaten 3-year-old who won an allowance race at Gulfstream Park on Friday by seven lengths over Grade 1 stakes winner Currency Swap. Next stop on the bay colt's road to Louisville probably will be the Wood Memorial at Aqueduct on April 7. Gemologist stays at No. 5 this week.

"He came off the layoff with a great performance. He was amazing. He did it on his own. He did it so easy," Gemologist jockey Javier Castellano said. "I was very impressed; he did it the right way and he's heading in the right direction."

Hall of Fame trainer D. Wayne Lukas may have a Derby contender of his own in Optimizer, who just missed catching Secret Circle in the Rebel. Lukas

is a four-time Derby winner, his last being Charismatic in 1999.

"We are real proud,"

Lukas said of his 27-1 long shot. "They only get longer and tougher from here."



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Judge urged to bar some Clemens' lawyers arguments

By **FREDERIC J. FROMMER**
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal prosecutors in the Roger Clemens perjury trial urged the judge Monday to bar Clemens' lawyers from arguments they say will encourage jurors to nullify the law and acquit regardless of the evidence.

In a pre-trial motion, prosecutors objected to several lines of argument Clemens' lawyers made at the opening of last summer's trial, including asking jurors to put themselves in the former pitcher's shoes, maintaining that the government was wasting money on the prosecution, and referring to possible penalties Clemens faces.

"In this case, evidence, comment and argument concerning punishment are improper because the potential penalty faced by defendant is irrelevant to the jury's determination of guilt or innocence," the prosecutors said in their motion filed with U.S. District Judge Reggie Walton.

Last year's case ended in a mistrial after prosecutors showed jurors inadmissible evidence. Clemens, one of the most successful pitchers in baseball history, is accused of lying under oath when he testified before Congress in February 2008 that he never used performance-enhancing drugs in his career. Prosecutors will try to prove he used steroids and human growth hormone. Clemens said the evidence was manufactured by his former trainer.

A new trial is to start April 16, and prosecutors urged the judge to bar any reference to the first one as irrelevant. They also asked Walton to bar "other irrelevant matters" that came up in the first trial, such as the fact that Clemens' heroes didn't use performance-enhancing drugs.

And prosecutors said the judge should bar "self-serving hearsay" that they said surfaced in the opening argument by Clemens' legal team. That includes, prosecutors said, a defense statement that Clemens had "given talks to kids all over the country against steroids, that your body was your temple. You don't put these things in there. You don't cheat. You don't take the easy way."

Phillies say Utley is doubtful for opening day

By **ROB MAADDI**
AP Sports Writer

CLEARWATER, Fla. — Chase Utley will likely start the season on the disabled list for the second straight year because of problems with both knees.

The five-time All-Star second baseman left camp to see a specialist, and it's uncertain when he'll be ready to play for the Philadelphia Phillies.

Utley was believed to have only an injured right knee, but general manager Ruben Amaro Jr. indicated Monday the left one may be causing more trouble.

"The guy's got bad knees. We know it and that's a fact," Amaro said. "We're just trying to limit and also make sure he's ready to go and play the bulk of the season. He told me his right knee feels much better. His left has been bothering him."

Utley hasn't played in a game this spring because of his condition, which forced him to miss all of last spring and the first 46 games of the regular season. He was diagnosed last February with patellar tendinitis, bone inflammation and chondromalacia, which is pain due to irritation under the kneecap. Surgery didn't guarantee a cure, so he opted for rehab instead and played through pain when he came back.

"We haven't had any discussions about surgery," Amaro said. "He's got a cartilage issue. You can't grow cartilage. It's partially tendinitis and partially a cartilage issue."

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COLLEGE HOOPS

College of Charleston coach Bobby Cremins retires

CHARLESTON, S.C. – Bobby Cremins said this time he is stepping down for good. Nearly two months after taking a medical leave of absence from the College of Charleston men’s basketball team, an emotional Cremins announced Monday he was retiring from the game. But he struggled to get the words out. The coach’s voice cracked and he fought back tears as he addressed players, friends and administrators on the floor of TD Arena, the Cougars’ home court.

“With the blessings of my family, my team, staff, friends and the College of Charleston, I have decided to retire as our coach,” Cremins said. The 64-year-old Cremins announced Jan. 27 that he would miss the rest of the Cougars’ season and later said he was physically exhausted. Cremins went on an indefinite medical leave of absence but said his condition was not life-threatening.

College of Charleston athletic director Joe Hull said at the time that he planned to speak with Cremins over the next few weeks to determine if the coach will be out even longer. “It was unfortunate what happened to me in late January. I didn’t like what happened and I’ll never know why,” Cremins said. “Our bodies sometimes send us signals, so we have to listen. The silver lining is that my staff, led by Mark Byington, my team, my school, they had my back and they responded in a special way.”

Ten days after his initial announcement, Cremins said Feb. 6 that he “had no gas” and that his players knew. “They could feel it.” He added that while his energy level wasn’t where it needed to be, he was “definitely feeling a lot better” at that time. Under Byington, the Cougars finished the season 19-12 and were knocked out of the Southern Conference Tournament in the first round for the first time since joining the league in 1998. Cremins was in his sixth season with the Cougars when he stepped away after spending 19 years coaching Georgia Tech. He has led Charleston to 20 victories in each of his seasons.

The Cougars started this season 10-2 with wins over Clemson and Tennessee, but had lost six of their last eight when Cremins took his medical leave. Cremins is 579-375 in 31 seasons of coaching, and the Yellow Jackets named their home court for him before he returned to coaching in 2006. He grew up in the Bronx then came south to play for South Carolina and fellow New York-transplant Frank McGuire. “I loved coaching in the state where I began my college playing career,” Cremins said. “I’ll never be able to thank the late, great coach (Frank McGuire) for bringing me to Columbia in 1965. I loved playing for the Gamecocks.”

Texas women’s coach Goestenkers resigns, citing fatigue

AUSTIN, Texas – Texas women’s basketball coach Gail Goestenkers resigned Monday, saying she is “tired” and needs to step away from basketball. Goestenkers was in the fifth year of a seven-year contract paying her \$1.25 million per season and she needed to stay only until April 1 to get an automatic one-year extension. “After a lot of soul searching I am tired and it’s not fair to this program,” Goestenkers said at a news conference to announce her decision a few minutes after she told her team. “It’s not fair to the kids to have a coach that’s just tired.” Texas women’s athletic director Chris Plonsky, who gave Goestenkers a public vote of confidence two weeks ago, said she wanted Goestenkers to stay and insisted the coach was not forced out after a disappointing 18-14 season. “I tried to re-recruit her (to stay),” Plonsky said. Goestenkers, 49, said she would have made the same decision even if Texas had won more games this season or gone deeper in the NCAA Tournament. She said she is healthy and not facing a medical problem that forced her decision. A more successful season would have made it easier to leave, she said. “I’m leaving basketball,” Goestenkers said. “My heart is telling me it’s time to take a break.” She was 102-64 at Texas and 498-163 overall over in 20 seasons as a head coach.

The Associated Press

Ohio is hoops hotbed

Four teams in final 16

By JOE KAY
AP Sports Writer

CINCINNATI – Stirred by a pep talk from the school president, the Ohio Bobcats applauded themselves in the locker room and celebrated their trip to the NCAA Tournament’s round of 16 by chanting: “We are Ohio!”

Not a bad March motto for the whole state. The nation’s 17th state is the first to send four teams to the NCAA’s round of 16 – the Bobcats, Ohio State, the University of Cincinnati and Xavier. The four come from different conferences and play different styles, but have gone a combined 8-0 in the tournament.

Beware the Buckeyes – all of them. “It’s super for Ohio basketball,” former Ohio State star Jerry Lucas said in a phone interview Monday. “It’s always been good, and will always be good. This whole region has traditionally had great basketball. To see Ohio be the first to have four in the Sweet 16 – that’s great.”

Seven other states have managed to get three teams into the round of 16, according to STATS LLC: Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Texas, California, North Carolina, Kansas and Tennessee. Ohio has topped them all.

No state has ever had a better opening week in the tournament. The First Four games were played in Dayton, where President Barack Obama and British Prime Minister David Cameron watched Western Kentucky pull off a historic comeback in the opener.

The rest of the state has kept up the excitement. Ohio State – the Big Ten school whose band spells “Ohio” in script at halftime of football games – lived up to its No. 2 seed by beating Loyola (Md.) and Gonzaga. Ohio University – the Mid-American Conference representative whose band dances to the “Party Rock Anthem” at halftime – got a 13th seed and became the tournament’s latest mid-major darling. The Bobcats knocked off Michigan – a result as pleasing on High Street in Columbus as on Court Street in Athens – in their first game, then beat South Florida to get to the round of 16 for the first time since

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States that have sent at least three teams to the NCAA tournament’s round of 16, according to STATS LLC:	
1955—Pennsylvania (3): La Salle, Penn State, Villanova	
1960—Ohio (3): Cincinnati, Ohio, Ohio State	
1961—Kentucky (3): Kentucky, Louisville, Morehead State	
1966—Texas (3): Houston, Southern Methodist, Texas Western	
1967—Texas (3): Houston, Southern Methodist, Texas Western	
1970—California (3): Long Beach State, Santa Clara, UCLA	
1971—California (3): Long Beach State, Pacific, UCLA	
1972—California (3): Long Beach State, San Francisco, UCLA	
1973—California (3): Long Beach State, San Francisco, UCLA	
1977—North Carolina (3): North Carolina, North Carolina Charlotte, Wake Forest	
1978—California (3): Cal State Fullerton, San Francisco, UCLA	
1978—Kentucky (3): Kentucky, Louisville, Western Kentucky	
1981—Kansas (3): Kansas, Kansas State, Wichita State	
1986—North Carolina (3): Duke, North Carolina, North Carolina State	
1989—North Carolina (3): Duke, North Carolina, North Carolina State	
1993—Kentucky (3): Kentucky, Louisville, Western Kentucky	
1997—California (3): California, Stanford, UCLA	
2001—California (3): Southern California, Stanford, UCLA	
2005—North Carolina (3): Duke, North Carolina, North Carolina State	
2007—Tennessee (3): Memphis, Tennessee, Vanderbilt	
2012—Ohio (4): Cincinnati, Ohio, Ohio State, Xavier	

1964. Meanwhile, Cincinnati and Xavier – the city rivals who brawled on the court in December – took big strides in refurbishing their seasons and reputations. The Big East’s Bearcats knocked off Texas and Florida State to reach the round of 16 for the first time since 2001 under coach Bob Huggins. No. 10 seed Xavier, the only Atlantic 10 team left, beat Notre Dame and Lehigh to reach the regional semifinals for the fourth time in five years. Some of their neighbors are coming along. Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky are supplying seven of the final 16 teams this weekend, another numerical measure of the area’s rich college basketball tradition. “Oh my gosh, we talk about that all the time,” said Xavier athletic director Mike Bobinski, who is on the NCAA Tournament selection committee. “Within a 150-mile radius or so, there’s a tremendous concentration of high-level basketball competition and talent, and great coaching and committed programs. I’m not sure this area gets its due in terms of how big college basketball is.

UNC point guard’s father: Marshall recovering from surgery

By AARON BEARD
AP Basketball Writer

The father of North Carolina point guard Kendall Marshall said Monday his son is recovering from surgery on his broken right wrist and it’s unclear if he’ll return for the NCAA regional games in St. Louis. Dennis Marshall said the procedure done in Chapel Hill, N.C., to insert a screw into his son’s wrist lasted about 35 minutes. He said when Kendall plays again would be based on “what would be best for Kendall in the long term” and that he didn’t know whether the sophomore would be ready to play in the round of 16 against Ohio on Friday.

“I don’t know because Kendall’s just coming out of his anesthesia, we haven’t talked and I don’t know how he’ll feel four days from now,” Dennis Marshall said. “We just don’t know. “Is it impossible he plays this weekend? No, it’s not. Is it likely he plays next weekend? It definitely is. It’s something we just don’t know.” The school also said Marshall’s status was unclear for Friday’s game in an update Monday afternoon. The Tar Heels (31-5) are the No. 1 seed in the Midwest Regional. The left-handed point guard fractured the scaphoid bone – located near the thumb – when he was

“You hear of Tobacco Road, but this region is as powerful and basketball-committed as any in the country. It’s there for everybody to see at this point based on how the tournament has played out.” Ohio’s still-standing schools may seem so dissimilar, but there’s less than six degrees of separation between them. Xavier has a hand in much of that. Buckeyes coach Thad Matta emerged as an up-and-coming coach at Butler – which plays in Hinkle Fieldhouse, where “Hoosiers” was filmed – with John Groce as an assistant. They moved on to Xavier together, then to Ohio State. Groce then made the 90-minute trip to the southeast corner of the state to become the Bobcats’ coach. Current Xavier coach Chris Mack and Cincinnati coach Mick Cronin grew up in the city, attending Catholic high schools that play in the same conference. At various times, they’ve all shared a path. “The fact that so many have come through Xavier at some point of time – there’s a lot of pride in that, honestly,” Bobinski said. “We feel good for their success. We appreciate what they added to Xavier while they were here. The fact that they’re running their own programs and are doing a great job is terrific. “This week’s unique success is validation for how talented those guys are. They’re proving it.” At least one of them will be gone Thursday. Ohio State plays Cincinnati in Boston, a rematch on the 50th anniversary of the Bearcats beating the Buckeyes in the national championship game for the second year in a row. Just as Ohio provided a memorable start to the tournament, it’ll get the second weekend going in a fitting way. “I have great respect for their program,” Cronin said of Ohio State. “Other than that, they’re the next team we play. You know, these guys have a goal. We have a goal: We get in the tournament to win it. I want my guys thinking that way because I believe in them. “It’s important that they know that I believe we’re capable of winning the whole tournament.” At this point, no one would be shocked if an Ohio team is the last one standing. fouled driving to the basket during the second half of Sunday’s win against Creighton at the Greensboro Coliseum. Marshall popped right up, then came out of the media timeout and hit 1-of-2 free throws. He left briefly, then returned again and played about 7 minutes before leaving the game late with the victory secured. “I didn’t want my team to worry about me,” Marshall said Sunday night. “So I tried to pop up as quick as possible and get to the free-throw line. I didn’t want to make a big deal about it. I just want to keep playing and find a way to win.”

MURRAY: finishes with only two losses

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“Any time you go 31-2, the season is a success. It doesn’t matter where you finish. We’ve got tradition. We want to win it all, that’s how we is. We step on the floor and we’re hungry, we’re greedy (for success),” forward Latreze Mushatt said. “If we would’ve made it to the Sweet 16, I think we would’ve gone farther.” Even though Prohm said he’s not going anywhere, he’ll likely be a top commodity in coaching searches this offseason after his first year as head coach following five years as an assistant. The school is expected to renegotiate his initial contract that pays him just over \$200,000 a year. “Murray means everything to me,” Prohm said. “Murray is a special place, it’s like none other place I’ve ever coached at. But there’s something that can

be said for coaching at a small college town. ... I love small college towns.” He also likes his team moving forward, especially if Canaan returns to the fold. Canaan averaged 19 points a game and said he anticipates coming back, but both he and Prohm will sit down and discuss his options over the coming weeks. “I plan on (it). We’ll all settle that in the offseason and see what happens,” Canaan said. “I won’t know until later on. I just want to spend time with my team, make sure everybody’s all right. Me being a leader of this team, I wish I could’ve pulled it out for them.” Canaan, who also played a key role in Murray’s 2010 NCAA tournament trip and a loss to Butler, likely won’t remember this final performance fondly, either. After scoring 15 points and beating Colorado State, 58-41 on Thursday, Canaan went 4-of-17 from the field in the loss to Marquette. “Everything in life don’t

happen the way you want it,” Canaan said. “Everything that don’t go your way, you always got to learn from it. The guys that’s coming back, we’re all going to learn for it and try to make another run of it next year.” Canaan loses backcourt mate Donte Poole as well as defensive stopper Jewuan Long and bulky forward Ivan Aska. But reserve

guard Zay Jackson proved to be a valuable reserve that allowed Canaan to play the shooting guard position. Starting forward Ed Daniel, who had 14 rebounds in Murray State’s final game, also will return. “I’ll be in the gym (this week). I’ll be ready, working on my jump shot, working on my (ball) handling. My teammates, they’ll be right behind me,” Jackson said.

The group will be bolstered by five incoming players, including three forwards who are 6-foot-7 or taller, giving the Racers some needed size down low. Also expected to come is 6-4 guard Jeffrey Moss, who’ll be counted on to be the defensive stopper and off-the-court leader Long was for this year’s team. Mushatt, for one, can’t wait to get started again in the fall.

“It’s going to be exciting next year,” he said. “I came here to win. That’s what happened, we won. I’m going to stay in the gym working on my game. I know everybody on this team is going to be working in the gym. That’s the type of team we are. “I know everyone is going to be ready to compete next year.”

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Owner: Manning chase puts QBs in tough situation

By TERESA M. WALKER
AP Sports Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Now it's time for the Tennessee Titans to smooth over everything with the quarterbacks on their roster since they have lost out on the Peyton Manning sweepstakes.

With Manning telling Tennessee he's going elsewhere, the Titans need to move forward as previously planned with Matt Hasselbeck and Jake Locker as their signal callers.

Titans owner Bud Adams, the man who told his executives to change their free agency plans and chase Manning, started the healing process Monday. He released a statement saying he likes the team's quarterback situation.

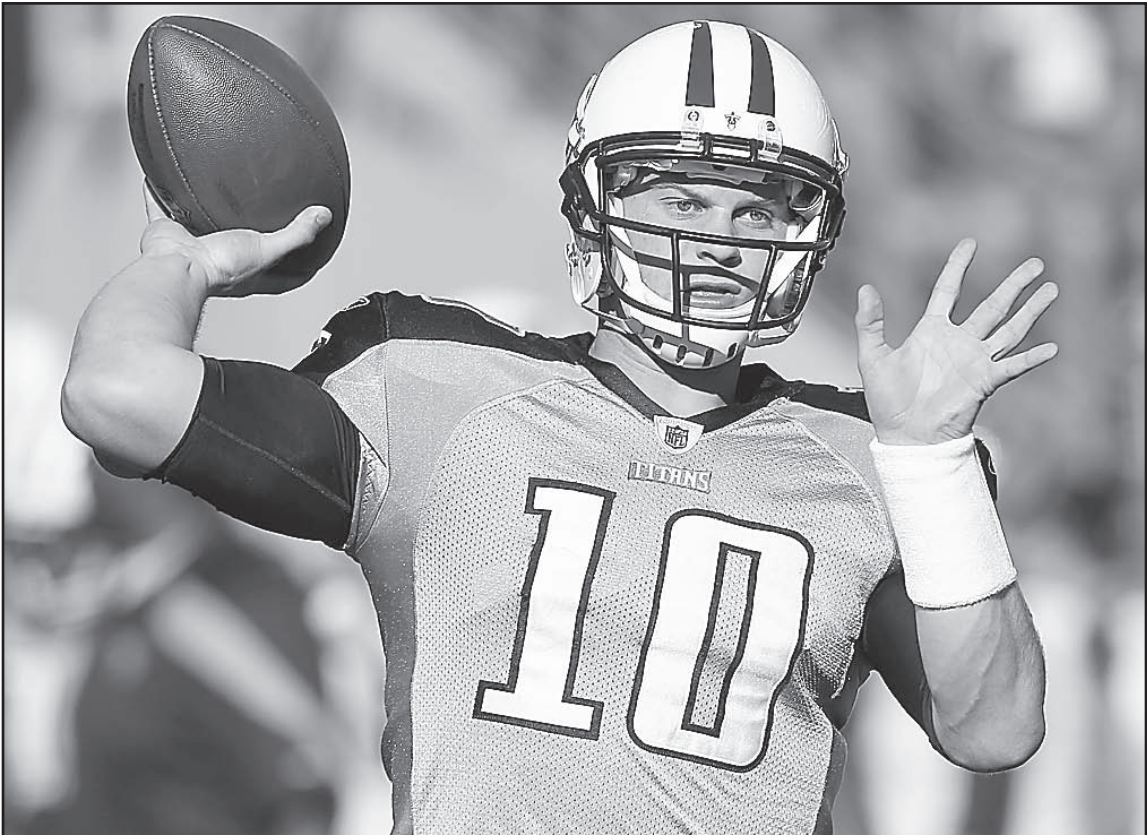
The Titans signed Hasselbeck to a three-year deal last July, and the veteran led them to a 9-7 record just missing the playoffs. Locker was the eighth pick overall out of Washington last April. Adams said he wanted to commend Hasselbeck and Locker.

"They were thrown into a very difficult situation," Adams said. "Matt was very good for us last year. And at some point, we expect Jake to be our future franchise quarterback."

Titans general manager Ruston Webster said twice in February that they were confident in Hasselbeck and Locker at quarterback. Coach Mike Munchak said once the season wrapped up that they would compete for the starting job this offseason, giving both plenty of motivation to work hard.

Then the Colts released Manning, and Adams told his execs he wanted to sign the four-time NFL MVP.

Tennessee met with Manning for a total of eight hours last Wednesday and watched him work out in



Tennessee Titans quarterback Jake Locker warms up before a game against the Cincinnati Bengals in Nashville, Tenn., on Nov. 6, 2011.

Knoxville on Saturday morning. Then Manning called Adams on Monday morning telling him of his decision to go to Denver instead of returning to the state where he starred in college at the University of Tennessee.

The Titans' offseason program does not start until mid-April, and team officials may have helped the process already.

They signed five-time All Pro guard Steve Hutchinson to a multi-year deal Thursday, and the veteran guard started his career in Seattle where he helped protect Hasselbeck for five seasons between 2001 and 2005 before leaving for Minnesota. That move strengthens an offensive line that allowed Hasselbeck to be sacked only 19 times in 2011 with Locker

sacked only four times himself.

Hasselbeck, a three-time Pro Bowler, is coming off one of his best seasons in his career and one of Tennessee's best by a quarterback. Hasselbeck threw for 3,571 yards, which was the fourth-highest total in team history. His 319 completions ranked third, while his 18 touchdown passes were the highest since 2004. Hasselbeck also had 28 completions go for 25 yards or longer, the most big plays by a Titans quarterback since Steve McNair had 33 in 2001.

The veteran did all that after losing top receiver — Kenny Britt — to a torn ACL in September.

Then there's Locker, who came off the bench in relief of Hasselbeck in his rookie season. Locker threw four touch-

downs, and his next interception will be the first of his pro career. He posted a 99.5 passer rating and looked exciting enough with his mobility to have fans calling for the Titans to tab him as the starter for 2012 even once Adams declared he wanted Manning.

"I want our fans to know that our expectations haven't changed," Adams said in his statement. "Winning a championship is still the goal. I like our quarterback situation moving forward, and we will continue to build the team through free agency and the draft with that goal in mind."

That's the challenge now for a team that went 9-7 in Munchak's first season as head coach and missed out on its first playoff berth since 2008 on tiebreakers to Cincinnati.

Smith appears to still be San Francisco's guy

By JANIE McCAULEY
AP Sports Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Last spring during the NFL lockout, Jim Harbaugh handed over his playbook in good faith to quarterback Alex Smith as a commitment that the San Francisco 49ers planned to bring him back.

Harbaugh turned Smith into a steady winner at last, a playmaker and playoff star.

Smith still looks to be San Francisco's man behind center, even after his coach and team flirted with Peyton Manning.

Smith had been weighing a three-year offer from the Niners early last week when Harbaugh and offensive coordinator Greg Roman traveled to Duke to work out Manning. For Smith, there might be some hard feelings — but maybe not.

This guy has seen it all during his seven-year NFL career after the 49ers selected him with the No. 1 overall pick out of Utah in 2005.

If Smith is offended by his coach's brief courting of Manning, perhaps a heart-to-heart sit-down could mend any hurt feelings. After all, Harbaugh has long declared his admiration for Smith, who caddied for his coach during last month's Pebble Beach National Pro-Am.

It's unclear whether Miami might up the ante from the 49ers' offer if Smith decides to pursue other options. He met with the Dolphins for 5½ hours Sunday.

"Obviously I always wish him the best, whatever he decides is best for his career and his family," San Francisco kicker David Akers said by phone Monday. "I think he's a great guy and a great player, obviously he showed us what we needed as a team leader this year. I'd love to continue to play with him. I'd love to play with a lot of guys I don't get to. That's part of the business. You just have to get used to that."

Bengals sign Jason Allen away from Houston, retain Nelson

The Associated Press

The Cincinnati Bengals have signed free agent cornerback Jason Allen from Houston and agreed to a four-year deal with safety Reggie Nelson, who was one of their unrestricted free agents.

Monday's moves bolster a secondary that was one of their main concerns in the offseason. Top cornerback Leon Hall is recovering from a torn left Achilles tendon.

Allen played in all 18 games for the Texans and their first-round playoff victory over Cincinnati, getting four interceptions overall last season. He was

a Dolphins first-round pick in 2006 and joined the Texans last season.

Nelson started every game for the Bengals last season and led the team with four interceptions. He's entering his third season with Cincinnati.

AP SOURCE: PATRIOTS AGREE TO DEAL WITH STALLWORTH. The New England Patriots are stocking up on wide receivers who have experience in their complex offensive system.

A person with knowledge of the negotiations said Monday that wide receiver Donte' Stallworth has agreed to a one-year contract to return to the Patriots.

The person spoke to *The Associated*

Press on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak on the matter.

The Patriots also reportedly reached agreement last week with Brandon Lloyd, who played for current Patriots offensive coordinator Josh McDaniels when he was head coach of the Denver Broncos in 2009 and the first 12 games in 2010. The Patriots have not officially announced signing Lloyd.

Stallworth spent one season with the Patriots in 2007 when they went 18-0 before losing the Super Bowl to the New York Giants. He had 46 catches during the regular season.

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He was wooed to Denver by Hall of Fame quarterback Elway, who led the Broncos to two Super Bowl championships and now serves as their vice president of football operations.

Elway, who retired from the game after winning his second straight title in 1999, never sounded all that convinced Tebow was the answer at the sport's most important position and now could trade the enormously popular but flawed quarterback.

Tebow energized the Broncos in leading them to the playoffs last season — and has fans all over the country — but his play was erratic.

"I wouldn't say I feel bad for him," Ayers said. "It's a business. And I'm pretty sure Tim understands that. ... We wish him luck, no matter what he does. I hope he's here. He's a great leader, a great locker room guy."

Manning was cut loose March 7 by the Colts. The move marked the end of an era, a 14-year alliance between the team that drafted Manning No. 1 overall and the quarterback who brought Indianapolis from football irrelevance to the 2007 Super Bowl title and a second appearance in the NFL championship game three years later.

But with Manning's rehab continuing, the Colts decided it was time to rebuild from top to bottom, and they are expected to take Stanford quarterback Andrew Luck with the top pick in April's draft.

Two days after standing alongside Colts owner Jim Irsay at an emotional farewell news conference, Manning began his free agency tour in the place it was ending: Denver. Manning landed on Tebow's turf with all the trappings of star treatment — flown to town on a chartered plane, then spending the day with Elway, coach John Fox and general manager Brian Xanders.

From there, Manning crisscrossed the country in search of a new team, as various clubs courted a guy with more than 50,000 yards passing, nearly 400 touch-

downs and 11 Pro Bowl selections. After Denver, next up was a meeting with the Arizona Cardinals, and he also spent time speaking with — or throwing for — the Titans, 49ers and Miami Dolphins, with TV cameras and even helicopters often on the trail.

In the end, though, Manning decided he wanted to trade in his Colts horseshoe helmet for one adorned by a Bronco. The move would allow him to stay in the AFC, a conference he knows well and one considered weaker than the NFC at the moment, and would re-establish the tantalizing prospect of playing against his brother, New York Giants quarterback Eli, in a Super Bowl. They already have three titles in the family.

AP Sports Writer Pat Graham contributed to this report.



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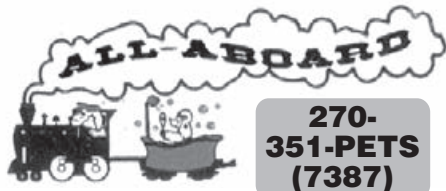
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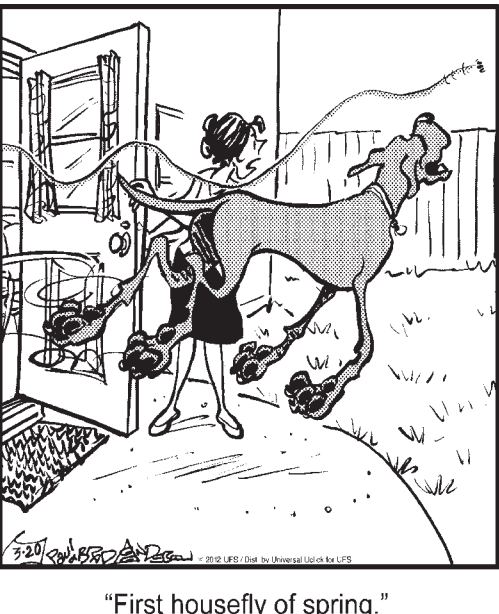
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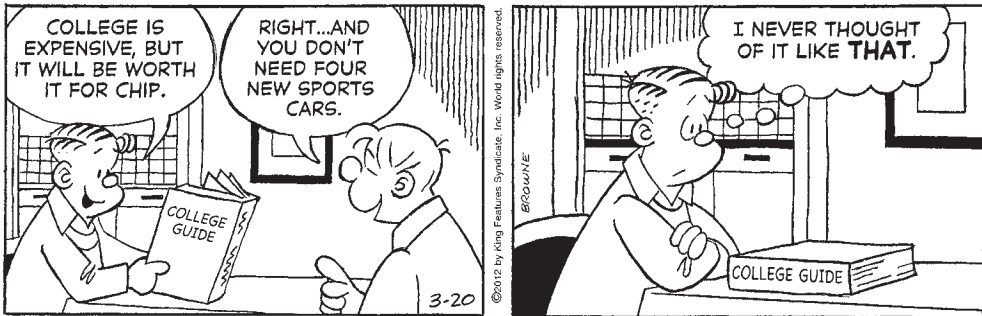
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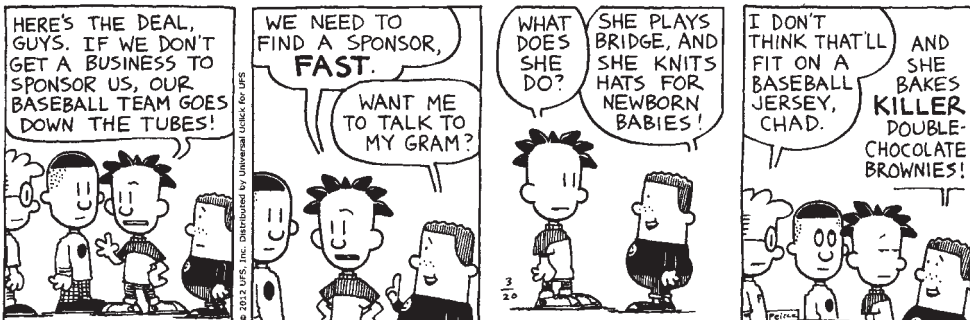
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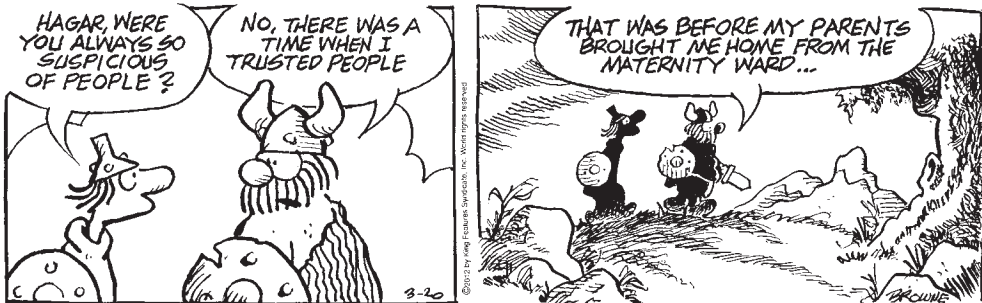
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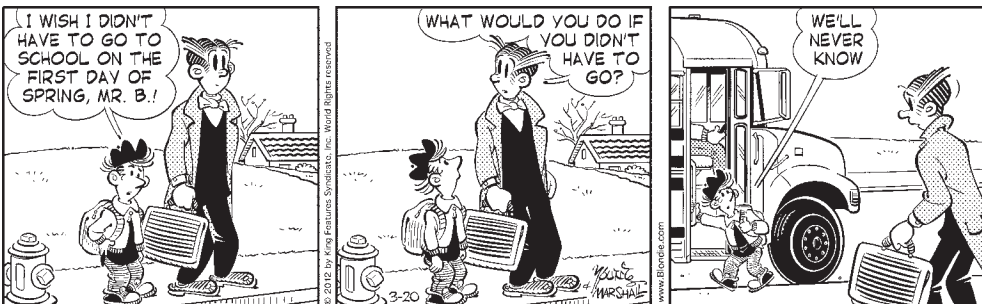
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